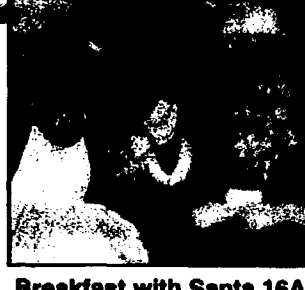




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City takes stand against planned crime lab move

► City council
passes resolution in
opposition to plan
to move crime lab

As a part of its Five-Year Comprehensive Plan for Facilities, the Michigan State Police Department (MSPD) has recommended building a new forensics lab in Gaylord, which would replace the lab that currently exists in Grayling. The announcement comes just months after the MSPD signed an extension to its lease with the City of Grayling for use of the city hall building.

The lease, which turned the entire city building over to the MSPD, runs until September 30, 2010. The city spent \$127,000 to renovate the entire facility according to department specifications. With the release of the MSPD's Five-Year Plan for Facilities, it appears the department may use an escape clause in the original lease to leave the city with the bill and the building.

The crime lab was started by local law enforcement in the basement of the County Building, and eventually grew to the point that the state took over the operation. According to the city, the original equipment was donated to the MSPD with the

understanding that the lab would stay in Grayling.

The Grayling City Council passed a resolution last Monday opposing the State Police Department's plan to relocate the crime lab to Gaylord, citing several reasons for keeping the lab in Grayling. The resolution states:

"WHEREAS, the Michigan State Police Forensics Lab has been in City of Grayling since 1989, and the City of Grayling has leased space in the city building to the MSP for that entire period; and

WHEREAS, what is now the MSP Forensics Lab was started by the Crawford County Sheriff's Department, and the county donated the original equipment to the State Police; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan State Police delivered to the City of Grayling the ultimatum they lease the entire city building to them or they would move to a new location; and

WHEREAS, in January of 2000, the Grayling City Council and the MSP executed an addendum to their lease for the additional space for the crime lab for a period of ten years, and

WHEREAS, the MSP gave verbal assurances that they intended to stay

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THOSE DANCING FEET ENTERTAIN THREE SELL-OUTS!



Photos by Ruth Pilon

Dedicated to the late Tom Brady, a Grayling High School paraprofessional who passed away just months ago, the GHS Players poured it on as they sang and danced in the musical "42nd Street" last week. (Above) Alexis Sumner as Maggie Jones gave the audience a humorous version of "Shuffle Off to Buffalo" as chorus members sang backup on a 'train to Buffalo.' (Left) Joe Pilon as Julian Marsh proves lucky trinkets are not so powerful as he reveals the scarf Peggy Sawyer, played by Gina Rosi, believes she just can't perform without. She does a swell job without it! (Right) Pilon helps Rosi get "into character" by planting several kisses on the innocent young dancer, leaving her head spinning and... into character! For more photos and playbill information, see Page 1B.



Don't fall for the latest phone scam

The Crawford County Sheriff's Office has recently received complaints from citizens stating someone posing as their credit card issuer is experiencing problems with their Personal Identification or "PIN" number.

According to Sheriff Dave Lovely, the supposed credit card representative provides the cardholder with a fictitious number, asking them to verify it. Once the caller has secured the proper PIN number for their account, they are able to access that particular account.

This process of asking customers for PIN numbers, over the telephone, is not a practice of credit card companies.

"You should never provide your PIN number to anyone for any reason," Sheriff Lovely said. "Any legitimate company authorized to accept credit cards does not need your PIN number for transactions. Credit card issuing companies have your PIN number and do not need you to verify what they have on record."

Anyone who receives or has received one or more of these calls inquiring about a PIN number should refuse to give the caller any information and report the call to either the Sheriff's office or the Grayling City Police.

COUNTY SIGNS CONTRACT WITH MMR

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Even before they were officially to start covering emergency medical calls in Crawford County, new white ambulances detailed with bright red lettering were seen traveling area roads in anticipation of a new beginning.

Last fall, the County Board of Commissioners signed a contract with Mobile Medical Response out of Saginaw after a new contract with North Flight had expired. Many within the medical and civilian communities voiced their concerns at two separate County Board meetings and after hearing the concerns, the Commissioners voted unanimously to sign on with MMR.

One of the main selling points was a household ambulance subscription plan to be offered to every resident of the county. The plan would cost about \$39 per year and would cover ambulance costs not covered or fully covered by insurance.

Raymond Little, CEO of MMR, said the subscriptions should be available by the first of the year along with many other consumer services, including a monthly newsletter.

An open house is being planned for early next year to allow residents to visit the refurbished ambulance barn and get to know emergency personnel.

Little was present during at least one of the Board meetings and said he wanted to assure the people of Crawford County a smooth transition from North Flight to MMR and he said recently everything is going quite well.

"We have a great bunch of people here," Little said. "The employees have performed a herculean effort. The response time has been good, the call volume is

good and the staff is very flexible. And, very important to all of this, the hospital (Mercy) has been excellent to work with."

Patty Walker, Director of the Emergency Department at Grayling Mercy Hospital recently remarked, "From our perspective, everything is going fine."

Many of the employees who worked for North Flight, the County's former contract partner,

have applied for jobs with MMR. Little said interviews went well and many were hired on.

Travis Roberts and Chris Loiselle were just two of those who found themselves with a new employer. "They've treated us like kings," Roberts said. Loiselle said he has found the MMR people to be open to suggestions and is pleased he could continue working in Crawford County.



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

Emergency medical personnel Travis Roberts and Chris Loiselle stand proudly by their new rig after the County contracted with a new ambulance service, Mobile Medical Response, a Saginaw based company. Many former North Flight employees have been hired by the new firm to continue serving Crawford County.

Fire nearly destroys home

► No one injured
in Grayling Twp.
mobile home fire

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

A total of nine fire fighters from three agencies worked together last Wednesday to douse a mobile home fire on Horseshoe Trail in Grayling Township.

Grayling Volunteer Fire Chief Duane Brooks said his department and fire fighters from Beaver Creek and the Department of Natural Resources combined efforts to put the fire out within 15 minutes of their arrival on the scene. Brooks said two Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies also helped by monitoring the home's LP supply tank while the fire was brought under control.

Fire fighters were on-scene within 15 minutes of the initial call for help. Brooks said he was very satisfied with their response time because the home is located about 11 miles east of Grayling. "The guys did a great job."

Upon arrival at the home, Brooks said, "Fire was rolling out the front door." Destroyed in the 32-year old mobile home were two bedrooms, one bathroom and a hallway. The

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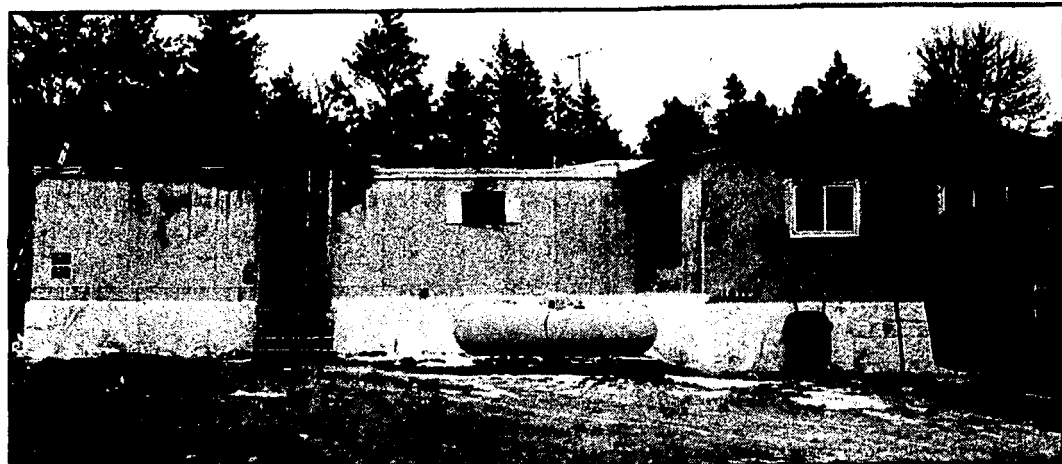
Fire nearly destroys Grayling home

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rest of the structure received extensive heat and smoke damage. Brooks said the mobile home may be a total loss, but was happy to say the home was insured.

According to Brooks, the cause of the fire has yet to be determined, however the Fire Chief said the homeowners apparently had experienced some electrical problems in recent days.

Local Red Cross workers were contacted and assisted the homeowners with emergency lodging arrangements.

No one was hurt in the fire, including family pets.



Fire ravaged this mobile home, located in Grayling Township, last Wednesday.

City takes stand against planned crime lab move

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in Grayling longer than the term of the lease; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grayling offices and police department moved from the former city building into a temporary facility because of the MSP's demand; and

WHEREAS, the residents have been substantially inconvenienced

by the temporary office's location and size; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grayling has incurred over \$127,000 in expenses renovating the building according to the MSP specifications; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grayling has incurred architectural and engineering fees for the design of a new city hall; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grayling has incurred expenses for the lease of a temporary building to house the city offices; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan State Police now plans to terminate the

lease and move the forensics lab to a new location in Otsego County.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Grayling City Council:

1. Opposes the forensics lab being moved before the expiration of the lease, on September 30, 2010.

2. Requests an explanation from the Michigan State Police as to why they executed a lease while intending to exercise a termination clause before they completed the term of the lease.

3. Requests that the MSP enter into a new lease, which does not contain a 120-day termination

clause, running through September 30, 2010.

4. Believes that Grayling is a more logical location for a new MSP headquarters building and requests that the Department work with them to locate a suitable building site in the Grayling area."

State Representative Ken Bradstreet has arranged for a representative of the state police to attend the December 11 city council meeting to explain the department's position. This meeting is open to the public. It will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Grayling Middle School cafeteria.

Brownfield public hearing cancelled

The public hearing, originally scheduled for December 20 at 10:30 a.m., has been cancelled due to a conflict in the publication of notices.

This hearing was planned in regard to the establishment of a Brownfield Redevelopment Authority in the County of Crawford.

In place of the hearing, Kathryn

Johnson, of Consumers Renaissance Development Corporation, will be attending the County Board of Commissioners meeting in order to answer any questions regarding the Brownfield Redevelopment Authorities. This informational session will be held at the same time and date.

A public hearing will be held in the future; dates and times will be

published for two consecutive weeks in the *Crawford County Avalanche*. These notices will be published not more than 40 days, nor less than 20 days before the hearing date.

County Environmental Monitor Pat Merrill and County Clerk Sandra Moore apologize for any inconvenience the non-publication of notice may have caused.

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River project helps repair fish structures

► Conservation groups raise funds for projects on the AuSable River

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Just a few weeks before the snow hit, area conservation workers and volunteers wrapped up this year's fish habitat rehabilitation effort on the North Branch of the AuSable River.

The project, coordinated in part by the Huron Pines Resource Conservation & Development Area Council (RC&D), the Crawford Roscommon Conservation District, and the AuSable River Watershed Committee, spanned seven months (April through October) and cost about \$45,000.

Funds for the project were provided by several organizations: Anglers of the AuSable, the North Branch and AuSable Mainstream Property Owners Associations, the Trout and Salmon Foundation, various chapters of Trout Unlimited, the Michigan Fly Fishermen, and the Department of Natural Resources.

The fundraising effort was spearheaded by the Anglers of the AuSable. "They took on a lot of the initiative to raise funds," said Brian Benjamin of RC&D.

The project involved making repairs to existing hand-built fish cover structures, many of which are over 20 years old. They were installed by the DNR many years ago, and were in need of rehabilitation.

Fish cover structures provide good habitats for fish and other aquatic life, and they trap organic sediment, Benjamin said.

The man-made fish habitats are basically a deck built partially underwater, Benjamin explained. Workers build the structures around posts driven into the river bottom, creating the tops out of wood and other organic material.

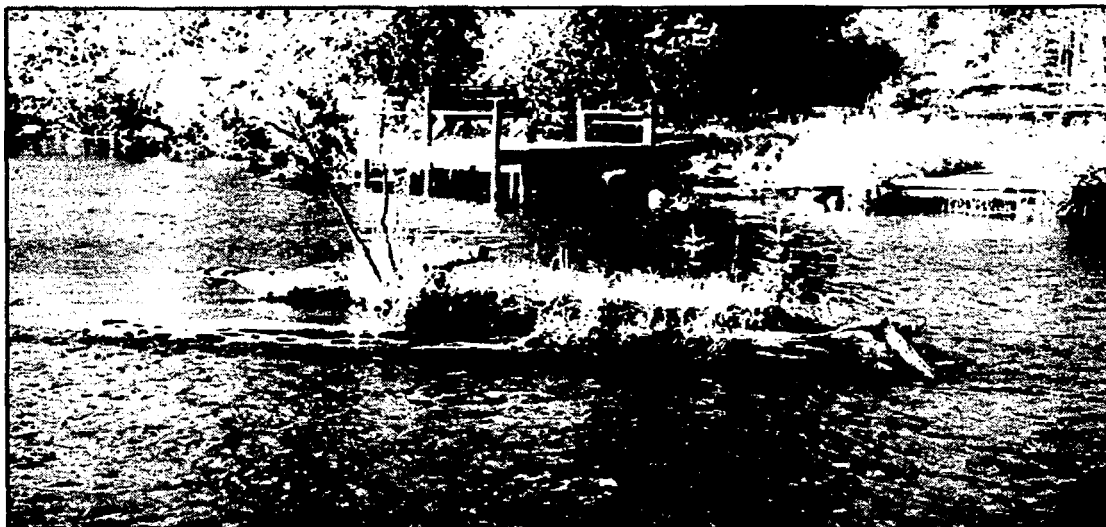
Efforts to replace the 20-year old structures began in 1994, and have taken place on various stretches of both the AuSable and Manistee rivers. Similar projects are being planned for next year.

On the North Branch, to create even more fish habitats, a project to



Photos courtesy of Huron Pines Resource Conservation & Development Area Council

Trout Unlimited volunteers work on the North Branch of the AuSable.



Fish cover structures, like this one on the North Branch, are being rehabilitated by a variety of area conservation groups in an effort that started almost seven years ago.

airlift whole tree pieces to the banks of the AuSable is being coordinated for next year. Airlifting trees by helicopter is a project RC&D has done for a couple of years now, including one such effort on the South Branch earlier this year.

The project involves attaching whole trees and large tree pieces to

a helicopter by cable and placing the trees along the river banks. The tree pieces provide more effective cover than the man-made structures, and no hardware (nails, etc) is needed.

Benjamin said that RC&D originally hadn't planned on doing the North Branch, but the airlifting project on the South Branch this year

went so well they changed their minds.

The AuSable North Branch Area Association has already raised about \$50,000 for the helicopter project next year, Benjamin said. "They've spearheaded some incredible fund-raising," he said, "raising about \$50,000 in just four months."

Quick removal of disabled vehicles now law

Abandoned or disabled motor vehicles must be removed from state highways within 24 hours to prevent towing as a result of newly-signed Public Act 306 of 2000. The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), with jurisdiction over the state's highway system, is informing motorists of this change.

The law reduces the time allowed for abandoned vehicles to be removed from 48 hours down to 24 hours. Motorists can expect the Michigan State Police (MSP) to ticket or arrange for towing of vehicles left on state highways more than 24 hours. This becomes particularly critical in urban areas where roadside lanes are restricted and abandoned vehicles could obstruct views or create road hazards.

Winter weather and the need to plow snow adds to the need for more prompt vehicle removal.

"An abandoned vehicle is a distraction to motorists, contributes to traffic congestion and can be a factor in crashes," said State Transportation Director James DeSana. "Owners of disabled vehicles will not incur towing charges and will preserve their ownership by removing vehicles from state highways within the 24-hour period."

Police personnel will put a written notice on the vehicle alerting the owner to the potential of the vehicle being taken into custody and the date and time this will happen. If the vehicle is not removed, it will be towed and stored at the owner's expense or disposed of.

Public Act 306 of 2000 further provides that Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEM-COG), MDOT and MSP conduct a study to evaluate the impact of the reduction in time from 48 hours to 24 hours.

Findings and recommendations are to be made within 12 months to the Michigan House and Senate standing committees that consider transportation and traffic-related issues.

The law was effective October 16, 2000. State highways are those with I-, U.S.- and M- designations.

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Sale hours are as follows:

Friday, December 8 - noon to 7

p.m.; Saturday, December 9 - 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Sunday, December 10 - noon to 7 p.m.; Friday, December 15 - noon to 7 p.m.; Saturday, December 16 - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, December 17 - noon to 7 p.m.

Tree prices range from \$10 to \$25. Donations will be accepted.

Flutes recovered in GHS theft

Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies from the Juvenile Division recovered two flutes last week that were reported stolen from Grayling High School in September.

The value of the instruments is estimated at \$1,100.

At the conclusion of the investigation, charges are expected to be filed in Probate Court against two juvenile males Deputies have identified as suspects in the case.

The flutes have been returned to their rightful owners.



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Gaylord Center Schedule of Classes - Winter Term 2001

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ACC 202	Principles of Accounting II	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	M
ACC 401	Advanced Accounting I	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	M
MTH 136	Fundamentals of College Math	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	M
ACC 331	Taxation II	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	T
CIS 101	Computers & Information Processing	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	T
MGT 400	Leadership Effectiveness	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	T
HIS 202	American History 1820-1900	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	T
COM 122	College Writing II	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	W
ACC 400	Auditing	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	W
MKT 301	Principles of Marketing	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	W
MGT 345	Purchasing & Materials Management	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	W
COM 212	Introduction to Speech	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	Th
MGT 331	Small Business Management	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	Th
FIN 340	Corporate Finance	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	Th

Classes held at the University Center @ Gaylord & Gaylord High School.

NUMBER	TITLE	CREDITS	TIME	DAY
COM 122	College Writing II	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	M
MGT 424	Labor & Employment Law	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	T
SOC 214	Social Awareness	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	W

Classes held at Grayling High School.

NUMBER	TITLE	CREDITS	TIME	DAY
MGT 424	Labor & Employment Law	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	T
CIS 101	Computers & Information Processing	4.5	8:00-9:25pm	W

Classes held at Cheboygan High School.

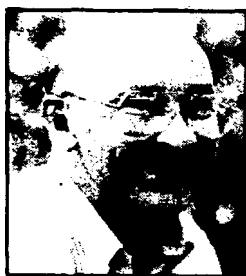
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OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Many folks take their politics seriously

WHILE THE NATION marks time, waiting to find out who will be our president, let's take a brief break from the Florida after-election for a brief look at some other political matters....

LOTS OF FOLKS in this country really take their politics seriously. Just look at the troops of outsiders pouring into Florida, hootin' and hollerin' to boost the election process in the courts, the recount centers and the streets.

Some partisans even take their partisan loyalty beyond the grave.

A long illness ended the life of a veteran union and Democratic party activist in September. His obituary (in *The Lansing State Journal*) brought this request:

"Because of repeated assistance over the years by Debbie Stabenow in regards to his illness, donations

can be made in his memory to her U.S. Senate Campaign, or a Democratic candidate of your choice."

And after-death political support is bi-partisan.

A few weeks ago, an Associated Press story told of a Republican loyalist who passed away in Canton, Ohio. His obituary requested: "In lieu of flowers, vote Bush."

That's carrying political support to the extreme.

FLORIDA BIT -- Picking off an e-mail about Florida ballot befuddlement, with this description of a Palm Beach voter (as reported in a Knight-Ridder dispatch):

"Can play 10 bingo cards at a time and not miss a number. Can juggle 53 numbers and Pick Six for the Florida Lotto, and select Pick Three, Fantasy Five and Mega Ball num-

bers. Can read five papers, four scratch sheets, and handicap three horses in the trifecta at the race track. Can't read a four-line ballot."

TOP LOBBIES -- Fortune Magazine annually ranks the most powerful lobbying groups in the country.

Questionnaires were sent to 2,773 persons, including every member of Congress, Capitol Hill aides, senior White House staffers, lobbyists and the top ranking officials of the largest lobby groups in Washington.

Tops in last year's ranking was American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), for the third straight year.

Tied for second were the National Rifle Association and National Federation of Small Business.

The rest of the Top Ten most powerful lobbies are: American Israel

Public Affairs Committee, the AFL-CIO, Association of Trial Lawyers of America, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, National Right to Life Committee, National Education Association, and National Restaurant Association.

Biggest Power drop in a year was suffered by the Christian Coalition, which fell from No. Seven to No. 35.

It surprises me that I am a member of two of the most powerful lobby groups in America, and associated with two others, but I still don't feel I have any real power on the national scene.

How about you? Which of these groups are representing you -- or at least claim your support for their efforts?

DEMOCRATIC DETROIT -- Every Michigan politician or politi-

cal observer knows Detroit voters favor Democrats, but how Democratic is Detroit?

It's only the most politically Democratic big city in America, according to David Bisitis, senior researcher at the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies in Washington.

"I don't know any other city that would be close," he said, and the 2000 election returns indicate he's probably right.

According to *The Detroit Free Press*, 94 percent of Detroit votes went for Vice President Al Gore and 92 percent voted for U.S. Senator-elect Debbie Stabenow.

Then there was the state Supreme Court campaign, in which Democrats avidly pushed a three judge slate. They lost big, partly because of voter falloff.

In Detroit, only 70 percent voted

for Supreme Court, and the three Republican nominees -- Justices Clifford Taylor, Stephen Markman and Robert Young, Jr. -- carried Detroit and the state.

Of course, none of the Supreme Court nominees were identified by party, but as incumbents, the three Republican winners were designated on the ballot as "Supreme Court Justice."

The apparent anomaly doesn't challenge Detroit's rank as a solid Democratic city.

It's just that it's a relatively simple matter to train voters to vote a straight ticket, or for President and Senator, but it's a lot more complicated to negotiate a non-partisan judicial ballot.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

Best Friends proud of year's work

To the editor,

Lewiston's Best Friends (LBF) ends 2000 helping spay and neuter over 257 animals, including 90 from Crawford County. We couldn't have accomplished this without the help of the terrific veterinarians committed to our cause and our supporters who purchase pet items through our web site and send us Spartan labels, Carter's slips and Homeless Homer Points. All of these efforts help.

We're also quite pleased with the success of Thorne's Fund -- many people recognize the memories of deceased pets and the arrivals of new pets through tax-deductible donations to this account.

LBF continues to hear reports daily about unwanted litters of puppies and kittens being born because people wanted to have their children experience the births. Please don't do this; if you want to experience a litter, go to a shelter and adopt a pregnant animal. There are plenty who have been dumped there! What should be a joyful experience turns tragic when the puppies or kittens are adopted, and mother is euthanized.

Our web site now includes a link to the Crawford County Animal Shelter. If you're thinking of a pet this Christmas, check them out. They have pictures and

descriptions of animals available for adoption. An older pet offers the same love and companionship as a puppy or kitten. We encourage all readers to adopt an animal from their local shelters. It would be terrific if through spay and neuter efforts in our area that we wouldn't need more shelters and all animals would have loving, caring homes.

Before the end of the year, please keep us in mind. Homeless Homer Points will be expiring in January 2001, so if you have been saving any for us, please send them now so we can get them redeemed by the end of January. This year we received \$100 from this fund.

Please visit our web site if you're Christmas shopping for your pet: <http://k2.kirtland.cc.mi.us/~tatumm/>. Remember, we volunteer all services, and all donations go to the animals.

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Until next year, Lewiston's Best Friends will be marking our territory with spays and neuters.

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'And now, for the rest of the story'

To the editor,

I would like to clear up some fiction, present some documented facts, and ask a few questions regarding the Animal Shelter as written by your reporter, Mrs. Ruley, in the November 15 issue of the *Avalanche*. The views I express here are my own, as an individual. I am not speaking for the board of the Animal Shelter of Crawford County.

I am the treasurer of the Animal Shelter of Crawford County. I did not come on the scene until July, when I was elected to the position by the Animal Shelter board effective July 1. I did not seek it.

I was asked to take this position with the intent to set up some type of accounting system and to design some procedures to relieve some of the burden of paperwork for Mrs. Lobsinger, to allow her to spend more time with the animals, and to provide reports and records of the financial operations of the shelter.

Several dedicated people were in the process of raising money to build a new animal shelter and the board believed that it was not appropriate to proceed with money raising activities without being able to provide reports and records of the sources and uses of money at the animal shelter. I think that we collectively believe people give money to organizations that can provide good information on where the money comes from and where it goes.

The ASCC (Animal Shelter of Crawford County) is the legal, tax exempt, incorporated body controlling the animal shelter. It files tax returns with the IRS, is licensed by the State of Michigan to solicit funds, and contracts with Crawford County for use of the land and buildings occupied by the shelter and owned by the county. Your front page article refers to the CCFA. To my knowledge, there is no legally defined organization called the Crawford County Fund for Animals (sic). If so, please show me some documentation to support this contention.

Now, for some more facts: Until September, the ASCC board had been unable to get any financial information from Mrs. Lobsinger, either for 1999 or 2000. The board had acknowledged, both verbally and in writing, Mrs. Lobsinger's dedicated work and the sacrifices she has made working with the animals of the county, offered to provide her with a salary for her work, and requested that she work with the board, attend meetings, and provide financial information for calendar

year 1999 as well as calendar year 2000 to allow tax reports to be prepared and submitted. (I can document everything I am saying here.) She did not respond.

As to the issue of the board taking money away from the shelter, and/or the issue of writing checks: How do you take money away from someone who refuses to sign the signature cards that the banks use to authorize checks?

When new officers are elected to boards or organizations, two things must occur: a resolution from the organization delineating officers must be presented to the bank and new signature cards must be signed for all accounts if there has been a change in officers. Mrs. Lobsinger would not sign the signature cards; therefore, she cannot sign checks -- her choice, not the board's.

A CPA firm in Gaylord was used by Mrs. Lobsinger to prepare the required IRS reports. The firm did not receive information required to prepare the required 1999 tax reports until two requests for extensions were requested from the IRS. The reports are to be filed by May 15. The first extension extended the date to August 15. The second extension, which the CPA worried that we might not get, was to November 15. We were informed by Mrs. Lobsinger that information had been provided to the CPA. In conversations I had with the CPA, I was informed that the information had not been provided at the time we were told. Additionally, the CPA had a discrepancy of over \$2,000 in the figures he finally received. We had to take a "best guess" in order to finish the tax report for 1999. The tax reports were finally filed in the first week of November.

The ASCC, by Michigan State Law, must have a license to solicit funds for a new animal shelter. The lack of tax information, a requirement for license renewal, nearly caused the shelter to lose its license. Several calls to the office of the Attorney General and a written request for an extension allowed the shelter board to continue to be licensed to raise money for a new shelter.

The *Avalanche* article also failed to acknowledge all the hard work and dedication of the shelter fund raising committee, board members, and others who have spent many hours selling raffle tickets on a beautiful quilt, working on spaghetti dinners, selling food, bandanas, and other pet items on the street, at craft shows, etc. What acknowledgement

do these folks get? Yes, Mrs. Lobsinger is dedicated to caring for the county animals, but she and her volunteers are not, by far, the only ones involved in this effort. It's a lot like giving the general credit for winning the war without mentioning the troops that took some part in the battle.

What about the efforts by many to acquire land for a new shelter, the offer of Ed Parks to design and do the architectural and engineering work for a new shelter at no cost; the Loretas, Susans, Sandys, Kathys, Nancys, Wards, Pats and Joes, and many others in this community who work at no cost and many hours for the betterment of the animals?

Do we need a new shelter? Take a look at the deplorable condition of the one we have. You be the judge. The *Avalanche* did not print all of the comments of the shelter inspector in the article of November 22. The inspector went beyond "painting and cleaning."

Are these "team players" an asset; does this effort require team effort? Absolutely! A cooperative team effort of people and governmental units is the only future for needy animals in this county.

I believe that the ASCC board and their fund raising committee is composed of dedicated people working to provide the best conditions for animals in the county not only in the present, but in years to come. And I believe that they have made a conscious effort to minimize personality issues.

Any organization that uses tax dollars and requests donations from individuals and the community should be able to provide accurate records of its sources of income and its expenses. I can assure everyone that the funds collected for a new shelter are held in a separate bank account and we can provide specific and detailed information on all these funds.

Why does something like an animal shelter provoke such a "house divided?" Why do we get only parts of stories and some outright distortions from our newspaper? The animals deserve better than a bunch of humans who profess to care, but who continue to bite one another in the gluteus maximus. Will these control games require some Solomon to cut some animals in half to resolve the situation? Let's hope not; they deserve better now and in years to come.

Ron Joyce
Grayling

Florida: How you can help!

LANSING -- As we all know, Governor George W. Bush won the vote on Election Day, a victory confirmed by a recount. Now the other side is seeking yet a third count by hand. It is becoming increasingly clear that the Gore campaign is going to attempt to prolong this fight over Florida for as long as possible.

That has led many to ask, "What can we do to help make sure Governor Bush wins this fight over Florida?"

First of all, we can all write to our local newspapers. We need to make it clear that the public is ready for the fair, accurate, and final decision that Governor Bush discussed Wednesday night (November 15). It is also important that we contact the major national media outlets as well. For instance, contact CNN at www.cnn.com/feedback or NBC at (212) 664-2333.

The Democratic Party Leadership must also be encouraged to tell Al Gore that enough is enough. They are the ones who can put an end to this and they need to understand that the needs of the country must come before the needs of their Party.

Some possible contacts would be the Democratic National Committee which can be reached by phone at (202) 863-8000, Senator Carl Levin whose fax number is (517) 377-1506, or contact Vice President Gore by email at VicePresident@WhiteHouse.gov.

Finally, the Bush campaign is accepting donations to help pay the mounting legal bills. Check out their web site at www.georgewbush.com or call (512) 637-2000.

Posthumus Leadership Team
Lansing
This article was reprinted from Volume II of "The Posthumus Post," November 2000, Issue #11. To contact Lt. Governor Dick Posthumus phone the Team office at (517) 374-5998 or e-mail dickposthumus@yahoo.com.

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BRIEFS

HeadWaters Conservancy to meet

The HeadWaters Land Conservancy will hold its next meeting at 7 p.m. on December 14 in the former library building, now the MSU Extension Office, adjacent to the Courthouse Annex in Mio, one block east of the traffic light at the intersection of M-33 and M-72. The Conservancy assists landowners in preparing conservation easements and other forms of land-protection plans. Join the group and bring questions and concerns. The Conservancy's programs can help landowners determine the future of their property. For additional information, call (517) 826-5714.

Various events planned through COA

The Commission on Aging Senior Center offers satellite dinners and fun for Frederic seniors on December 8 at the Hobby Club and for Lovells seniors on December 15 at the Township Hall. Each meal will be served at 12 noon. Call the Center at 348-7123 for reservations. Also, the Center (located on Lawndale in Grayling) will hold its December Birthday Dinner and White Elephant Auction at 5 p.m. on December 13.

Project Graduation committee to meet

The next meeting of the Project Graduation 2001 committee is Wednesday, December 13 at 7 p.m. Meet outside Grayling High School's teachers' lounge. All parents of upcoming graduates -- 2001 and beyond -- are encouraged to get involved. For more information, call Michele Bugyi at 348-2816 (evenings).

Crawford County Fair Board to meet

The Crawford County Fair Board will meet Thursday, December 14. For more information, call Bunny Kammer at 348-2419.

Grayling Garden Club to meet

The Grayling Garden Club meets December 7 at 7 p.m. at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church. Project for the evening will be assembling a seasonal decoration. Guests will provide their own container, dampened oasis, and their choice of decorations. Greens will be provided. A cookie exchange will follow. For more information, call Thelma Holland at (517) 344-2043.

Michelson Choirs to present program

On the evenings of Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, December 8-10, the choirs of Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church will be presenting their annual Christmas Musical Program. As a change of pace this year, the choirs will be performing a more traditional cantata. The Youth Choir will present "O Christmas Tree" and the Chancel Choir will perform the provocative, "In the Silent Night, God Speaks." The program will be held in the sanctuary of the church beginning at 7 p.m. each evening.

Band offers 'Musical Christmas Cards'

"Musical Christmas Cards" performed live by Grayling Viking Band students are now being booked to begin performances December 12 through December 20. For the cost of \$10, anyone can send some Christmas cheer to a special someone or place of business. Performances are limited, so book your card early. To schedule and send one of these "cards," mail your request (with directions, if necessary) and check or money order for \$10 for each card to: Band Boosters, C/O Crawford AuSable School District, 403 E. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738; or, call Sue Seifert at 348-2596 (evenings), or Mary Heinlein (517) 344-3773 (days) for more information.

Goodfellow newspapers on sale soon

The Kiwanis Goodfellow Christmas Newspaper will be available on the streets of Grayling on Friday and Saturday, December 8-9. Be sure to stop and get your copy from a Kiwanian. All donations stay in Crawford County for some community project.

Transplant Support Group to meet

The Otsego Memorial Hospital Transplant Support Group of Northern Michigan will meet Friday, December 15 at 7 p.m. in the Classroom at the hospital, located at 825 N. Center in Gaylord. The group is designed for anyone who is pre- or post-transplant, their family or friends, caregivers, donors or other interested community members. For more information, call Bev Cherwinski at (517) 983-4188. To check for meeting cancellations, call the above number or the OMH Health Education Department at (517) 731-2193. Pre-registration is not required.

Eastern Star plans annual bazaar

The Annual Order of the Eastern Star Cookie Walk Luncheon-Bazaar will be held Friday, December 8 at the Masonic Temple (next to the Rialto Theatre) in Grayling. Cookie Walk and Bazaar runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Luncheon runs from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$5 includes soup, salad, dessert and beverage.

Museum hosts 'Trees of Christmas'

The Founders Society of the Jesse Besser Museum in Alpena is presenting the "Trees of Christmas" exhibit through December 30 at the Museum. The exhibit is a festive display of traditional Christmas trees from different countries. Handcarved wooden ornaments will be for sale. A Gala Reception will be held at the Museum Thursday, December 7. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. The Gala includes musical entertainment by The Bifocal Brass, First Congregational Church Choir and other instrumental music, hor d'oeuvres and spirits. Tickets are \$16 each or \$30 per couple. Call (517) 356-2202 for tickets or more information.

Sheriff to attend Frederic meeting

Sheriff Dave Lovely will attend the Frederic Township meeting Tuesday, December 12 at 7 p.m. He says everyone should feel free to attend. He will be available to answer questions and hear comments that evening.

Art show features local works

Local artists Dan Feldhauser and Dean Worden will be showing their artwork at Patti's Towne House, December 9 through January 7. All work will be for sale. Feldhauser has worked in pencil, pen and ink, watercolor wash, as well as graphite etching for the past several years. Worden will be showing work in pencil, watercolor, acrylic, and black-and-white photos. The show will receive a formal opening at 2 p.m. on Saturday, December 9.

Farm Park open for two nights for rides by candle and lantern

On the evenings of Friday and Saturday, December 15-16, area residents and visitors will have the rare opportunity of being able to visit Wellington Farm Park during the winter.

On those two evenings, visitors will get a chance to experience the hard times of winter prior to the coming of electricity to rural America. For this event, the Living History Farm will be illuminated by candles and lanterns. Two of the park's buildings will be open and heated, each with an interpreter to help visitors appreciate the time period they are visiting.

Those attending the "Farm by Lantern Night" will board one of

the park's shuttle wagons at the Visitor Center on Military Road and be transported back to the year 1932 with the aid of park interpreters. As they travel through the park, the only illumination will be that of the heavens and the flickering light from candles and kerosene lanterns.

Admission to this special winter event is \$3 per person and reservations are a necessity. Shuttles will begin operation at 6:30 p.m. and continue every 15 minutes until 8:30 p.m.

Reservations can be made by calling the Wellington Farm Park office, toll-free, at 1-888-653-3276 or by visiting their web site at: www.wellingtonfarmpark.org.

Annual Chamber \$10,000 Raffle tickets now on sale

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce's annual \$10,000 Raffle will be held Saturday night, January 20, 2001 at the Grayling Holiday Inn.

Ticket price remains \$125 each and admits two to the raffle event. To purchase tickets, contact the Chamber office at (517) 348-2921 or from one of the following Chamber Board Members:

Laurie Figley, Bill Gannon, Dave Malm, Corrine Christman, Glenda Jacobs, Judy Craft, Kent Reynolds, Diane Tompkins-Burch, John

Patchin, Monte Burmeister, Lanice Rutter, Rob Aubry, Dennis Palmer, Cindy Olson, Col. Dennis Hull.

Door prizes donated by local businesses will be given away along with \$3,000 in cash and the grand prize of \$10,000. ATHENA, Citizen of the Year, and Silver Lining Awards will all be presented during the course of the evening.

Join your friends for an evening of fun at this annual Chamber fundraising event. Also, be sure to call the Chamber for seating arrangements.

Rotary scholarships open to college students

Applications for the Grayling Rotary Club's annual scholarship program are now available for submission by any college student with at least one year of completion. Students may receive the scholarship only once.

Applications can be picked up in the Grayling High School counseling office, at the Crawford AuSable School District office on Michigan

Avenue in Grayling, or from any Grayling Rotary Club member.

The application is a simple one, asking for basic personal information, college costs, credits earned, grade point average, and financial information including student loans, grants and scholarships already in use by the student.


Applications must be filled out completely and mailed to Grayling Rotary Club, P.O. Box 373, Grayling, MI 49738. Applications must be postmarked by the December 29, 2000 deadline.

COA's Senior Center plans Rummage Sale


The Commission on Aging's Senior Center will be the site of a Rummage Sale on Saturday, December 9 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Center is located at 308 Lawndale in Grayling (behind the Burger King). Everyone is welcome to rummage, browse, and buy.

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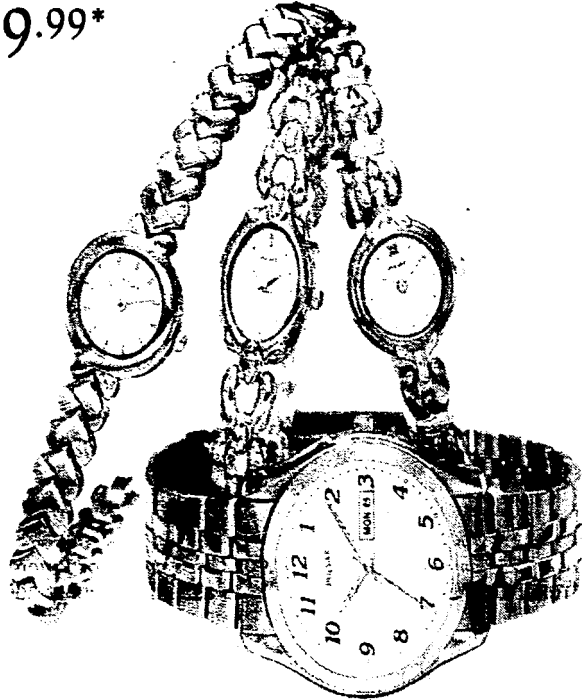
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The Bible Speaks

Bible Dangerous for Kids?

The CNS News reported on August 4, 2000 the following story: "A German government minister has been asked to reclassify the Bible as a book considered too dangerous for children because of its violent content. Two lawyers from Bavaria made the request in a letter to Family Minister Christine Bergmann, in which they said the Bible contained 'bloodthirsty and human rights-violating passages.' 'It preaches genocide, racism, enmity towards Jews, gruesome executions for adulterers and homosexuals, the murder of one's own children and many other perversities,' wrote Christian Sailer and Gert-Joachim Hetzel. The Bible should remain on a list of books unsuitable for children until the offending passages are removed, they argued." Historical events in Germany have often foretold future liberal thinking trends in America.

Jesus Christ and the Bible are hated by the unbelievers of this world. The Bible reveals God's Holy Word and His Holy Will! The Bible brings God's light and truth to expose the sin and darkness within us. "The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple." (Psa. 119:130) "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." (Psa. 119:105) "For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way

of life." (Prov. 6:23) God gave the Holy Scriptures: "To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins..." (Acts 26:18a) "And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. 20For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved." (John 3:19,20)

"Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word." (Psa. 119:9) "The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple" (Psa. 19:7). This is why Jesus prayed to the Father, "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth." (John 17:17)

The first schools in America were in churches, the Bible was the primary textbook, the pastors were the first teachers. Most of our Ivy League colleges and universities were founded to give pastors a Bible-based education. Today there is a battle for the mind and soul of our next generation. God, the Bible, and Christianity are being deliberately attacked and discredited in public life. But, without faith in God and the Bible what hope can we have for our

children, our homes, and our nation? The Bible is the moral and spiritual foundation of America. "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." (Isa. 8:20) The Bible can change the hearts and lives of children. "And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. 16All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 17That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." (2 Tim. 3:15-17)

Pastor "B"

Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and our church. Websites at: <http://onramp.i2k.com/~cha/> and at <http://www.i2k.com/~cha/index.html>

We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn Bible prophecy. Join us in a verse by verse study of the book of Revelation each Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.

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Students plan worship service

Students and youth workers from over a dozen churches in the Petoskey area are planning another "Second Saturday" Area Youth Worship service to be held on December 9 at 7 p.m. in the library conference rooms at North Central Michigan College in Petoskey.

The informal time of worship is led by a student praise band and offers opportunities for student testimony and prayer in small groups.

"Second Saturday" is designed to draw Christian students from all over northern Michigan into ecumenical friendships that cross denominational lines, and to acquaint students with worship music from youth movements around the U.S. and the United Kingdom.

The service is sponsored by Youth Watch, a group of area youth workers who gather monthly at the

Northern Michigan Youth For Christ Building at 619 Waukazoo Avenue in Petoskey at 9 a.m. on the third Thursday of every month.

For more information about "Second Saturday" or Youth Watch,

contact Matt Burek at Harbor Light Community Chapel at (231) 347-5001 or Sarah Arthur at Petoskey United Methodist Church at (231) 347-2733 (or, email: sarah.arthur@petoskeyumc.org).

'Three Men and a Tenor' to bring holiday smiles

"Three Men and a Tenor," one of the nation's rising vocal performing groups, has produced a Holiday Music concert they will perform at the Houghton Lake High School (HLHS) Auditorium on December 20 at 7 p.m.

The concert is being presented by the Houghton Lake High School SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving) Chapter in conjunction with the Ogemaw Heights SADD Chapter.

"Three Men and a Tenor" has put over 100 hours of rehearsal into this new show, choreographing each new holiday song to appeal to all audiences.

This benefit concert will assist the two SADD Chapters in their endeavors to spread the "Don't drink and drive" message this school year. Tickets are \$10 and available at HLHS or by calling Lynne Gellerman at (517) 366-2006, ext 3045.

Near death experiences to be discussed

Abundant Life Tabernacle will be featuring Mary Robling, of Beulah, in its Sunday evening service on December 10 starting at 6 p.m. Robling, an ordained interfaith minister, will be speaking on "Near Death Experience." There will be a time for questions and answers. Everyone is invited to come. A free will offering will be received during the service. Abundant Life Tabernacle is located on 211 Shellenbarger Street in Grayling.

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What would your answer be if you were Tim's Dad? Would you encourage him to attend the right schools and wear the finest clothes? There is nothing wrong with that advice...as long as you remember the most important advice.

Advise your youngster to always strive to be rich in the love of our Heavenly Father, for on the road to riches there are always many potholes that the best clothes and the finest education will not get him through. Yet, God's love gives us the peace and the courage it takes to keep moving on toward our goal. "But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is He that giveth thee power to get wealth." Deut. 8:18

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Luke 21:25-33	Zechariah 8:1-17	Zechariah 8:18-23	Zechariah 9:9-17	Zechariah 10:1-12	Zechariah 14:1-11	Zechariah 14:12-21

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Wednesday & Fridays 8:30 am

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Pastor Dale Hammond
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- Soliciting, offering or receiving a kickback;
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- Misrepresenting the diagnosis to justify payment.

Medicare is improving its capability to crack down on those who take advantage of this program. Four methods are being used on those who take advantage of this program: prevention, early detection, coordination with other government agencies, and prosecution of wrongdoers.

The Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP) have trained counselors to help you report suspected fraud and abuse. For free help with this and other Medicare or Medicaid questions, 1-800-803-7174.

LIBRARY NEWS

Crawford County Library

Story Hour at the Crawford County Library is at 2pm on Wednesdays with Mrs. Compton. Story Hour consists of stories, finger plays, critters, craft, songs and a filmstrip. Children ages 3-5 are invited to attend. Younger children are welcome, if a parent or care giver stays with them.

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Beaver Creek Township Library is open Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. and 6 p.m.-9 p.m. and Wednesday 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Phone is (517) 275-2808.

Frederic Community Library is open Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Phone is 348-4067.

HONORS

Kirtland Community College

Danielle Osborn, of St. Helen, a student in the College's EMT (Emergency Medical Technician) course has been awarded a \$500 EMT scholarship by the Kirtland Community College Foundation. Osborn is a 1998 graduate of Roscommon High School. While in high school she began taking classes at Kirtland as a dual enrollment student. Her college instructor recommended her for the scholarship. She was selected based on her application and classroom performance. Her plans are to continue at Kirtland and to complete the Paramedic program.

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OBITUARIES

Herbert William (Bill) Dunham

Aug. 9, 1925 - Nov. 30, 2000

Herbert William Dunham, 75, of Highland Township, died at his home on November 30, 2000.

Bill was born on August 9, 1925 in Wolverine to Herbert and Nina (Dyer) Dunham. He married Marian Knoch on February 22, 1946 in Manton.

Mr. Dunham retired from Ford Motor Company, Wixom Plant in Novi. He was an Army Veteran of WWII.

Survivors include: his wife, two sons, William Lee (Linda) and David Bruce (Kathleen) both of Highland; three daughters: Helene (Bob) McFarland of Milford, Lana (David) Robertson of Cadillac and Tami (Walter) Gull of Houston, Texas; one brother, Robert, and one sister, Rhea Gierke, both of Grayling; eighteen grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Saturday December 2, 2000 at Elton Black & Son Funeral Home in East Highland with the interment following at Highland Cemetery.

GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

The Grayling Police Department handled the following 49 complaints the week of November 26-December 2:

Two false alarms, one animal control, one misdemeanor arrest, three assaults, four assists to other departments, one breaking and entering, five check law violations, two city ordinance violations, one civil complaint, seven larcenies, one suspicious situation, one private property accident, three traffic accidents, four civil citations, one misdemeanor citation, two traffic control complaints, and 10 unclassified complaints. Nine traffic warnings were also issued.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled during the week of December 6 - 12, 2000:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located North of County Rd. 612, East of Guthrie Lake, South of Old State Rd. 618, and West of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.). Bombing and strafe firing conducted.

The Range 40 Complex, located North of County Rd. 612, East of Sherman Rd., South of Old State Rd. 618, and West of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Road). Military maneuvers and mortar firing.

For more information regarding range firing, call 1-800-628-5820.

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank the voters of Crawford County for their support in the November 7th general election. It has been an honor and a pleasure for me to serve as your State Representative.

I look forward to addressing the many issues that are impacting this state and our local communities in the Michigan Legislature. I am humbled by your support and I will continue my legislative efforts on behalf of the district. Again, my thanks go out to the many voters of Crawford County. Your support is appreciated!

Sincerely,
Ken Bradstreet
State Representative
105th House District

Mildred Ann Parker

Oct. 25, 1901 - Dec. 3, 2000

Mildred Ann Parker, 99, of Grayling died on December 3, 2000 at Mercy Manor in Grayling.

Mrs. Parker was born on October 25, 1901 in Summit City, to Olive Nelson and Frank Muth. Mildred Muth married her husband Claude Parker in Grayling on November 24, 1921.

Mildred was a homemaker, who enjoyed making quilts, gardening and doing jigsaw puzzles.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Claude, January 9, 1988, her parents, five sisters and one brother.

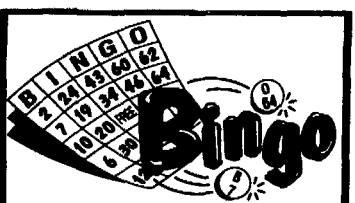
Survivors include: two daughters, Margaret Hessick of Tucson, Arizona and Glenna Wheeler of Grayling; one sister, Mary Ferguson of Indiana; one brother, Frank Muth of Grayling; seven grandchildren, Terry Stearns, Tom Hessick and Larry Hessick all of Tucson, Arizona, Donald Ashton of Alaska, David Ashton and Scott Ashton both of Arvada, Colorado, Jeff (Shelly) Ashton of Roscommon and eight great-grandchildren.

Burial was at Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling, on December 5, 2000 with Dr. Robert Barnett-Pastor officiating.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

The Crawford County Sheriff Department handled the following 70 calls the week of November 27 to December 3:

One assault/intimidation/stalking, three burglary/home invasion, one larceny, three damage to property, one escape/flight from legal detention, five public peace/disorderly, five health and safety (all animal control, including one kennel inspection and one dog bite), two miscellaneous criminal offense, one insanity, 15 traffic accidents, four false alarm activations, one accidental fire, two hazardous conditions, six civil matter disputes/family trouble, four suspicious situations, one lost & found property, one general assistance, 12 general non-criminal, one larceny - other.



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Friday - 6:30 pm

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Eagles Club, 602 Huron Grayling

Jack L. Coon

Oct. 14, 1926 - Nov. 27, 2000

Jack L. Coon, 74, of Roscommon died at his home on November 27, 2000.

Mr. Coon was born on October 14, 1926 in Elk Township, Michigan to Leland and Anna (Prentiss) Coon. Jack married his wife Marie E. Keeler in Sandusky, Michigan, on April 4, 1947.

Jack worked as a metal fabricating inspector for Chevrolet in Flint for 22 years, and retired in 1988.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, William Christensen, two nephews, Stacey and Tim Robbins.

Survivors include: his wife Marie Coon of Roscommon; two children, John Coon of Roscommon and Wendy (Leslie) Myas of Roscommon; one brother, Larry (Bonnie) Christensen of Marlette; two sisters, Jane (Bob) Ownbey of West Branch and Beatrice (Larry) Wynet of Manchester, Ohio; one sister-in-law, Carol Christensen of Sandusky; two grandchildren, Pam Carol and Richard Tucker; three great-grandchildren, Madison, Andrew and Tanner Carol.

Funeral services were held November 30, 2000 at Immanuel Baptist Church in Roscommon. Pastor David Hansen and Pastor David Miller officiating. Burial was at Rock Cemetery.

Memorials are requested to be made to Immanuel Christian School of Roscommon.

In memory of

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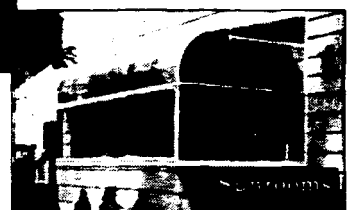


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Community Mediation Services holds first annual meeting

Following their Annual Meeting on Monday November 20, the Advisory Board for Community Mediation Services joined their Guests and Mediators for a meal presented by Chef Randy at The White Wolf Inn of Vanderbilt.

Special Guests present included:
 • Judge Patricia A. Morse of 46th Circuit Trial Court of Crawford, Otsego and Kalkaska Counties. Judge Morse talked about her involvement, from 1991 through 1993 in starting the Community Mediation Service that provides volunteer mediators to a five county area. Judge Morse served as board President from 1994 to 1997.

• Rudi D. Edel, Administrator for the 46th Circuit Court and 87th District Court, explained how the courts of the 46th Trial Court were consolidated as an experiment that has been very successful and will serve as a model. Rudi also mentioned the concept of Victim-Youth Offender Mediation.

• Doug Van Epps, Community Dispute Resolution Program coordinator from the Michigan Supreme Court, State Court Administrative Office. Van Epps talked to the group about how important the Community Dispute Resolution Program is to reducing the backlog of civil court cases. This allows the courts to concentrate on only the most difficult cases and thereby shortening the time cases take to resolve. He mentioned that only four or five percent of the cases filed with the courts actually get to trial. He also gave figures on the amount of money saved on the court operation and by the disputing parties when mediation is used. Van Epps complimented Grant Bliss for putting mediators and staff together



Photo courtesy of Community Mediations Services

Members of the Community Mediations Services (CMS) Board held their first annual meeting at the White Wolf Inn in Vanderbilt on November 20. CMS was developed to offer mediation between disputing parties in lieu of appearing before the courts. Shown are Doug Van Epps, Mike Harrington, Grant Bliss, Judge Patricia Morse and Rudi Edel.

and making Community Mediation Services into a major center.

As part of the evening, awards of service were given to board Members and Mediators. Gaylord area CPA Jeff Cook was recognized for his seven years on the Community Mediation Services

board of directors.

Officers elected earlier that evening were: President - Mike Harrington of Otsego County, Vice President - Jeff Cook of Otsego County, Secretary - Barry Cole of Antrim County, and Treasurer - Dennis Palmer of Crawford County.

Other Board members present were Gene Miller and Attorney Greg Rotter, both of Cheboygan County. Hon. Harold Johnson of Cheboygan County and Dan Bean, Antrim County Undersheriff were board members with scheduling conflicts and unable to attend.

Roscommon car dealer asks for help in toy drive goal



Don Nester Chevrolet in Roscommon is an official drop off for Toys for Tots. The dealership's goal this year is to reach as many less fortunate children as they can by filling up a full-size pickup truck by December 19. This is Don Nester's second year doing so and each employee donates at least one gift. Drop off an unwrapped gift for either a boy or girl, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Alzheimer's coalition creating public awareness

The Northwestern Michigan Medical Care Facilities Coalition in cooperation with the Alzheimer's Association of Northwest Michigan are working together to create public awareness of Alzheimer's Disease.

The Coalition consists of nine medical care facilities in northwestern Michigan, which provide long-term skilled nursing care and a continuum of Alzheimer's care to older adults.

According to Penny Drury, administrator of Grandvue Medical Care Facility, each of the Coalition members are providing quality care for those individuals in this region afflicted with Alzheimer's disease.

Because many Alzheimer's sufferers live at home and are cared for by relatives, Dena Thompson, administrator of the Manistee Medical Care Facility, said the Coalition members are enhancing program and service areas to focus on respite for care givers.

According to data provided by the Alzheimer's Association of Northwest Michigan, Alzheimer's disease currently affects an estimated 600 adults in this region and five million nationwide.

Unless a cure is found, approximately 14 million people will be affected by 2040.

Chris Weaner, executive director of the association, notes that more than 100,000 persons die annually

of Alzheimer's disease, which makes it the fourth leading cause of deaths in adults.

"Alzheimer's care givers are known as the hidden or second victim of the disease," she said. "They commonly suffer from fatigue, stomach problems, headaches, tension, anger, sadness, and depression."

Founded in 1997, the Northwestern Michigan Medical Care Facilities Coalition is intended to enhance the quality of life for older adults in this region by providing the best possible health care and residential services to older adults.

The Coalition members consist of Meadow Brook Medical Care

Facility in Bellaire; The Maples in Frankfort; Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan; Emmet County Medical Care Facility in Harbor Springs; Grand Traverse Pavilions in Traverse City; Maple Valley Nursing Home in Maple City; Oakview Medical Care Facility in Ludington; Manistee County Medical Care Facility in Manistee; and the Oceana County Medical Care Facility in Hart.

For more information on Alzheimer's disease or respite for care givers, contact the Northwestern Michigan Medical Care Facilities Coalition at (231) 932-3023 or the Alzheimer's Association of Northwest Michigan at 1-800-337-3827.

Frederic gas metering station recognized

Eleven facilities owned and managed by Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Partnership have earned the distinction of becoming Michigan Clean Corporate Citizens, Governor John Engler announced November 30.

Eight of the facilities are compressor stations located about 75 miles apart along the pipeline system that enters Michigan in the western Upper Peninsula in Gogebic County.

The other three are metering stations in Sault Ste. Marie, Frederic, and St. Clair.

The Clean Corporate Citizen program was proposed by Engler in his 1996 State of the State address.

It encourages and rewards outstanding environmental stewardship.

"Great Lakes Gas is demonstrating that the business of providing

Michigan communities with a safe, consistent energy resource can be accomplished with environmental protection as an overriding principle," Governor Engler said. "I congratulate the staff and management for being good corporate neighbors."

Great Lakes Gas, headquartered in Troy, operates the pipeline that traverses the Upper Peninsula, enters the Lower Peninsula at the Straits of Mackinac, proceeds south and east through the middle of the state and re-enters Canada near St. Clair. The more than 2,000 miles of large-diameter natural gas pipeline has a total pumping capacity of over 436,000 horsepower delivering about two billion cubic feet of natural gas daily.

"Great Lakes is pleased to join the program and is proud to be recognized as a Clean Corporate

Citizen," said John Wallbillich, vice president of environmental and legal affairs. "The goals and philosophy of the program are in keeping with Great Lakes' own corporate environmental policy and practices."

One facility earning the Clean Corporate Citizen designation is the Great Lakes Gas metering station in Frederic.

Candidates for the designation must adopt a strong environmental management system, a facility-specific pollution prevention program, and have a consistent record of compliance with applicable environmental requirements.

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Tips for a safe holiday season

Many of us during the holiday season like to burn candles. In 1997, there were a reported 11,600 home candle fires in homes, which caused 156 civilian deaths, 1,202 civilian injuries and more than \$171 million dollars in direct property damage.

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number of home candle fires in December than there are in an average month. Each year candles have been responsible for 43 percent of home decoration fires. Nearly one-fifth of home candle fires began because the candle flame was too close to objects that could burn.

Here are some safety tips to insure you have a safe and "candle fire free" holiday.

Burn candles inside a one foot circle of safety, free of anything that can burn.

Extinguish candles after use. Keep candles out of reach of children and pets.

Keep all matches and lighters out of children's reach.

Use a sturdy metal, glass, or ceramic candle holder.

Never leave a burning candle unattended.

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Return to medieval times!



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Grayling High School Choir members Mike Moon (Jester), Anne Nettleton (Queen), and Shane Stephenson (Noble) give an idea of the dress of the evening for the First Annual Madrigal Dinner, a fundraiser to help send choir members to Toronto in the spring.

Members of the Grayling High School Choirs will present their First Annual Madrigal Dinner at Shoppenagon's Inn on Wednesday and Thursday, December 13 and 14.

The dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. each night.

Diners will be the guests of the royal court of England as they welcome the Yuletide season. Guests will enjoy an "Olde English Feast" complete with the Wassail Toast, the presentation of the Boar's Head, and a sumptuous meal served by medieval wenches and servants.

The Madrigal Dinner will not only please the taste buds, but will

provide entertainment throughout the evening by singers, beggars, street vendors, troubadours, and jesters. After the meal, a short "masque" or skit will be performed, much as it would have been at a 15th century royal banquet.

Guests are not required to dress in the manner of the times, but are certainly welcome to do so if they wish. The more the merrier!

Tickets are \$15 each and may be purchased at Riverland Gear in Grayling, from GHS Choir members, or by calling Karen Ross (348-5363h or 344-3575w) or Leanne Millar (348-9262h or 348-5921w).

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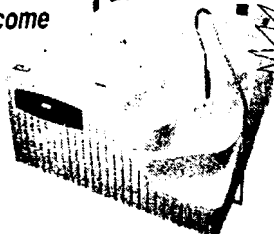
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Survey looks at holiday spending 2000

► National Survey says: Everyone gets massive debt

Americans plan to spend 45 percent more on holiday shopping than they did last year, according to the Second Annual Holiday Survey by Myvesta.org, formerly Debt Counselors of America. The average holiday shopper will spend \$1,220 in 2000, up from \$841 in 1999. One in ten shoppers will spend more than \$1,500.

In addition, Americans' credit card balances have increased by 60 percent. Myvesta.org's nationwide telephone survey asked 1,000 respondents how much debt they carry on all of their credit cards, including major bank, retail, gas and other cards. Americans' average credit card debt increased from \$1,751 in 1999 to \$2,814 in 2000.

"People's appetite for credit made a big leap forward in the past year," said Mike Kidwell, vice president and co-founder of the nonprofit Myvesta.org. "It's not surprising after another year of economic enthusiasm. Until we experience a

major economic downturn, people will continue to push their credit limits to the sky."

Kidwell added, "If consumers use their credit cards to pay for those holiday purchases, the average total credit card debt in January will jump to more than \$4,000. Assuming that people make only the two percent minimum payment, it will take 38 years to pay off the debt and the interest payments will top \$9,000." This calculation uses today's 18 percent average credit card interest rate.

"The holiday lesson is clear," Kidwell said. "Charge only what you can pay back in three months or less." By repaying the \$4,000 debt in three months, the person would pay only about \$120 in total interest. Myvesta.org offers the following credit tips for a happy holiday season and an even happier New Year:

-Carry only two credit cards when shopping. Use one with a zero balance for purchases you will pay off in full. Use the other, low-interest-rate card for purchases you will pay off over time.

-Record all of your purchases in your checkbook register. Even if you don't write a check, subtract the amount of the purchase. That way, when the bill arrives, the money will be in your checking account to pay the bill in full.

-Avoid "skip payment" offers that

cause you to pay more interest and face larger bills.

-Avoid "buy now and pay later" offers, which encourage you to spend money you don't have.

-Use a low-rate, major credit card instead of high-rate department store cards.

"When you're thinking about holiday gifts, remember that the personal involvement—not the cost—is what people remember," Kidwell added.

Myvesta.org is holding a Savviest Scrooge Contest™ during November. For the third year in a row, people are invited to submit their most creative tips for saving money on gifts, travel, entertaining and other holiday expenses. Contestants should submit thrifty gift ideas, along with their address and daytime phone number to: scrooge@myvesta.org or by mail to: Savviest Scrooge, Myvesta.org, P.O. Box 8587, Gaithersburg, MD 20898-8587. Winners will be announced December 4.

Additional survey findings include:

-Forty-two percent of respondents say they do not carry a balance on their credit cards, a decrease from the 50 percent who reported no balance in 1999.

-People carry an average of three credit cards; the same number

reported in 1999.

-More than 20 percent of the people have five or more cards; just about the same number report that they have no credit cards.

-People earning less than \$25,000 a year have the highest average credit card balances (\$3,674).

-While 33.6 percent of people will spend \$500 or more on holiday gifts, 4.8 percent say they have no plans to shop for holiday gifts.

-More than 55 percent of 18 to 24-year-olds have at least one card; 10 percent have five or more.

-Five percent of people are clueless about how much they owe on their credit cards.

The telephone survey was conducted November 10-12, 2000.

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Nearly 200 show up for shots



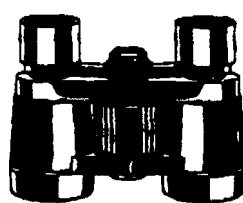
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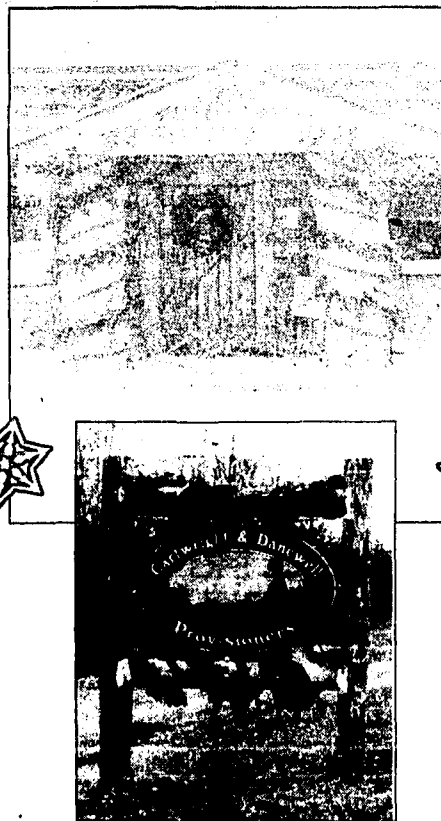
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Kids learn art from local master

by Danielle McGillis
Staff Writer

A new masterpiece adorns one wall in the Grayling Middle School (GMS). With the guidance of Dean Worden, 36 kids have created a mural solely out of construction paper.

The mural was done to teach the kids the basics of art and in a greater sense, to teach the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade participants to work together. "It's (the class) not just about art, you gotta teach these kids about life," said Worden, a volunteer art teacher at GMS. Worden also can be credited for the murals displayed on the Ausable Gifts Building, American Legion, Crown Jewelers and the inside of Grayling Township Hall.

The construction paper mural, took GMS kids four class meetings of one hour each. Worden said, "Some of these kids have never had any art classes, this is their first time, and they have done really well, I really like working with them." Worden said he has also taught them two and three dimensional design, the basics of colors and mixing them along with shading.

Worden said he will continue volunteer teaching until he receives his degree in education. "I would really like to see an art class come to GMS and I believe by Fall 2002 it will almost be done," commented Worden.

Seventh grade student Maranda Shear said, "This is a good opportunity for everyone here. If you want to become a better artist, you should take the class. It would be really nice to see regular programs here because we've learned a lot."

The GMS kids started their final project this week, which will be a canvas painting.

On February 5, Worden will begin instructing Adult painting classes at Grayling High School.



Photo by Danielle McGillis

Creating this construction paper mural taught some middle school kids the basics of art and the importance of teamwork. The kids were instructed by local artist Dean Worden, known for his many murals around Grayling.



Many Grayling Middle School students took up Dean Worden's offer when he proposed a wall mural project for kids. Worden is working toward teacher certification and hopes to teach art at the middle school level in 2002.

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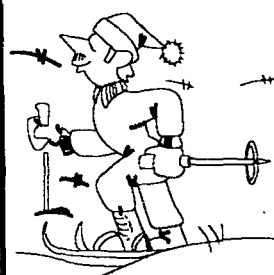


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Photos by Danielle McGillis and Shirley Schmook



(Top) Breakfast was served by volunteers (center left) while Santa and Mrs. Claus waited to hear Christmas wishes from all the eager children. (Center right) Gerry Schroeder helps the young ones make out gift labels after they shopped for special gifts (bottom) with the help of a volunteer, such as Sue Porter.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Thought for your week ahead: When written in Chinese, the word "Crisis" is composed of two characters... one represents danger and the other represents opportunity!

Don't forget to come in and get your tag off of the Toys for Tots Christmas tree in our lobby. You take the tag and it will say boy or girl and an age; you bring your gift, either home-made or store-bought with the same tag on it, back and put under the tree. The gifts are distributed through the Christian Help Center.

This week's menu:

Dec 7 - Stuffed Ham/Roast Beef. BP's taken 11 to noon: Out to Lunch gang takes in the China Buffet in TC leaving at 10:30; Pinochle Club at 1.

Dec 8 - Sweet and Sour Chicken/No dinner: Frederic Satellite at 12; Pantry Bingo at 1 and 80 cent Rummy in the Rec Room.

Dec 9 - Foot Clinic by appointment. Rummage Sale 10 to 4 come one come all!!!

Dec 11 - Pork Cutlets/Chop Suey; Stag Cards and Bridge Club at 12 and 1; Hangman at 5:30.

Dec 12 - Ham/Creamed Chicken; Euchre Club at 1.

Dec 13 - Exercise and Line Dancing at 10 and 11; Stag Cards at 12:30; Birthday dinner and White Elephant Auction at 5.

Remember: Our Congregate Dining Program consists of two meals, Monday through Thursday and one on Friday. Join us for a meal, either at noon or 5pm weekdays except Friday, there is no evening meal.

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42nd Street dazzles with music & dance



For three nights (November 30-December 2), the Grayling High School Players presented their production of "42nd Street," a Broadway musical based on a book by Michael Stewart and Mark Bramble, with music by Harry Warren and Lyrics by Al Dubin. Nearly 60 students were involved in the production as members of the cast, crew and orchestra. The real highlight of the show was all those tap dancing feet as the story line carries the cast from auditions for the fictitious Broadway production of "Pretty Lady," to learning the show may not go on due to an ankle injury sustained by its aging, high-priced star, to one brave girl from Allentown, PA taking a shot at the big time, to the show's grand finale where everything works out and the dancers are guaranteed months of paid performances. The Stripe Auditorium was packed each night!

Cast

Dorothy Brock	Heidi Niederer
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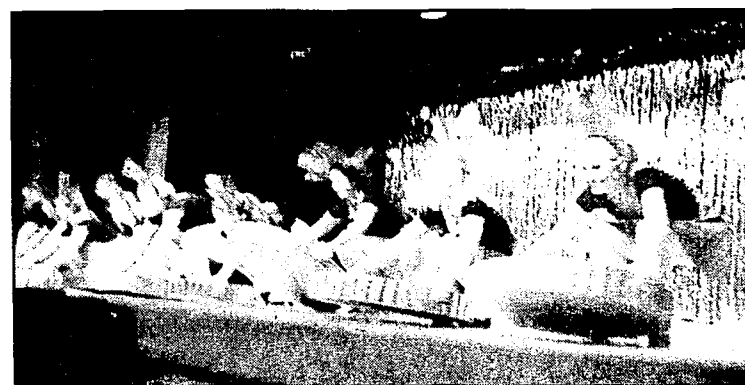
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Lexi Bondar, Maeghan Corwin, Amber Edgerton, Danielle Fedak, Megan Fekete, Michelle Gildner, Ian Lauterwasser, Kristin Lee, Jennifer Millar, Ashley Mitchell, Gary Morey, Annette Morris, Tricia Parker, Colleen Rogers, Kim Ruley, Jennifer Rusiecki, Kristal Schalaus, Anna Todoroff, Emily Wakeley, Stephanie Wakeley, Jamie Zelek, Mike Moon, Eric Hunter

Pit Orchestra

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 Xylophone - John McNamara
 Set - Shannon Plutko

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 Student Music Director - John McNamara
 Student Technical Director - Sonya Saladine
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 Construction Crew - Jim Carmean, Gil Cerelli
 Director - Andrea Binert
 Music Director - Karen Ross
 Technical Director/Art Director - Mark Binert
 Assistant Technical Directors - Jim Carmean, Gil Cerelli
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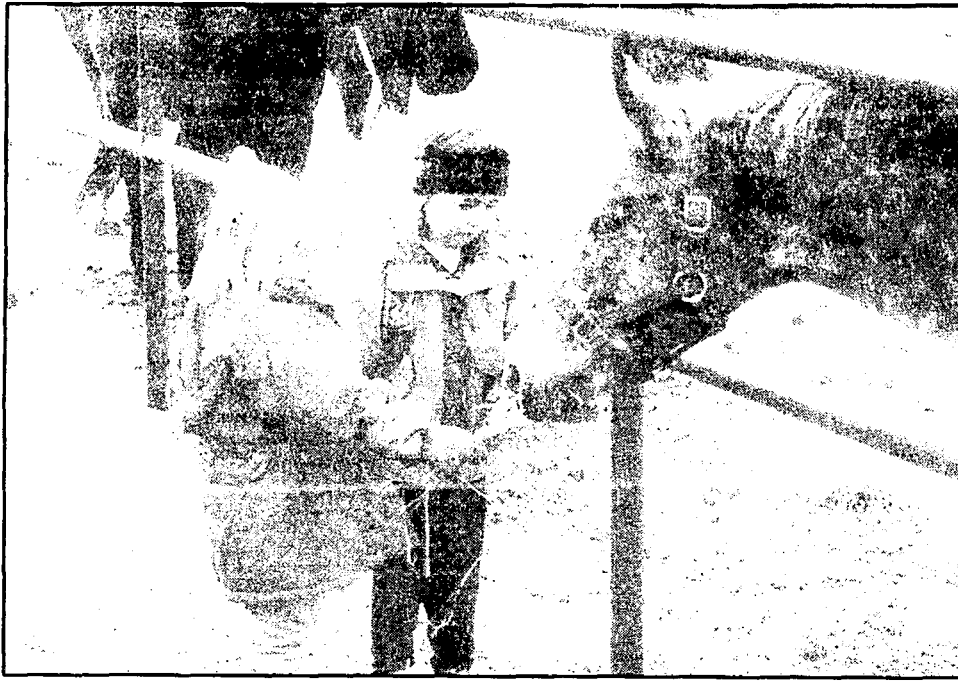
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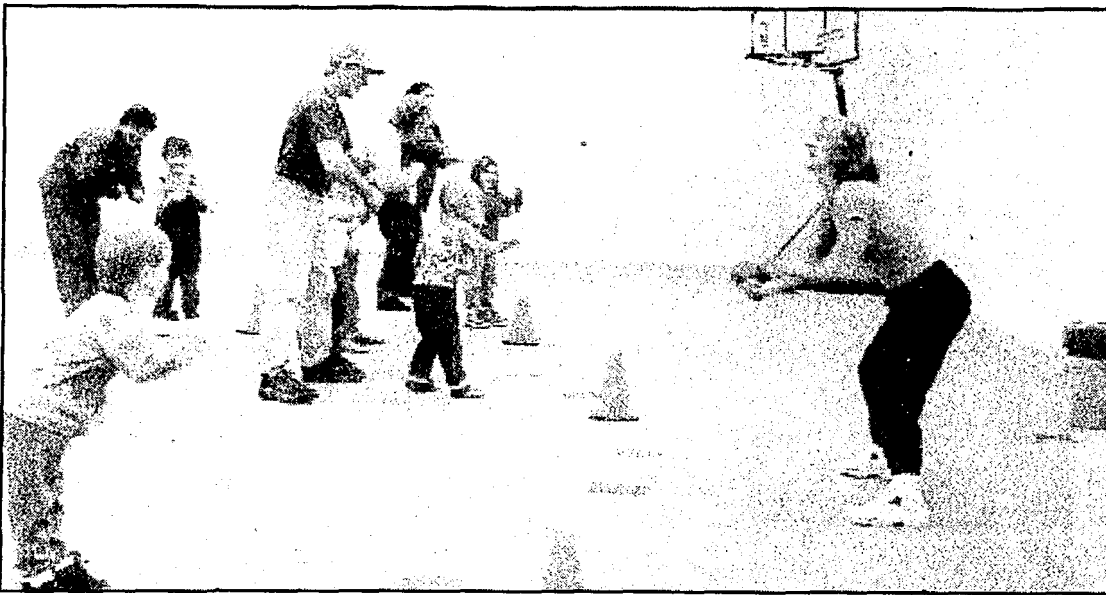
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Fun and learning at Camp AuSable



The Grayling Cooperative Preschool staff and parents say they have provided a fun filled fall season for the kids. Pictured above are Mara Adamski and Meagan Malm who attend the four year old morning class, feeding the horses at Camp AuSable. This adventure was only one of many activities provided for the preschoolers. Other outings were to Wellington Farm Park, Hanson Hills, the Grayling Fire Department, and they were also visited by Northflight Ambulance Personnel. Officials of the preschool say that without all the support from family, friends, the community and fundraisers they would not have had such a wonderful year. They have thus far provided over 30 years of service to community children.

Who let the kids out?



Students from Karyn Rauch-Smock and Gloria Moore's Preschool class at AuSable Primary participated in a fun family fitness evening on November 8, hosted by fitness instructor Cathy Hehir. Ms. Hehir spoke to participants about the importance of fitness and staying healthy. Participants did a fitness routine to 'Who Let The Dogs Out' by Baha Men at ten different fitness stations. Avita, a locally produced bottled water, was provided to cool down and the evening concluded with a light dinner from Subway. Joshua Larson won the miniature golf tickets for his entire family, donated by Mark Hartman, owner of Timber Rapids Adventure Golf. This was the second evening in a family involvement night series developed through the School-to-Work grant program from COOR Intermediate School District.

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GMS names Students of the Month for November



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Grayling Middle School Students of the Month for November are (in alphabetical order): Jeff Bancroft, Kayla Barnette, Katie Baynham, Trevor Clough, Holly Derenzy, Emily Dunckley, Jesse Ferrell, Michael Fiebelkorn, Toni-Jo Gasser, Adam Gilbert, Brian Gomez, Eric Goscicki, Brandon Himmel, Ben Jones, Ashley Jurkovich, Anna Lepsy, Brian Mastej, Erin Morrell, Chelsea Newberry, Candice Odden, Scot Olson, Mallory Olson, Clinton Ramsey, Jill Seager, Ryan Seewald, Sally Smock, Nick Steffey, Nick Terry, Alex Vanderstelt, Mark Wejrowski, Abby Wheeler, Amber Wright.

KIRTLAND BASKETBALL

The Kirtland Community College Firebirds mens basketball team won a pair of games this past weekend against Canadian opponents in the Canadian-American Tournament in Alpena, while the Lady Firebirds downed the Albion College JV Lady Brits in Albion.

On Friday, December 1, the Firebirds mens team beat Sault College of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario by a score of 82-55 and then came back on Saturday afternoon (December 2) and defeated Cambrian College of Sudbury, Ontario by a score of 85-71.

The wins bring the Firebirds to a 7-3 overall record for the season. KCC Athletic Director and Head Coach Glen Donahue said that the Alpena athletic department did "a great job in running the tourney in their new gymnasium on the Alpena campus."

On Thursday, November 30, Kirtland's Lady Firebirds overpowered the Albion College JV team with a convincing 70-55 win, KCC's second victory in the last three games. Coach Jim Parker said his team trailed Albion 23-24 at the half, but came out with a more aggressive defense and an improved offense in the second period.

Starter Annie Henion got into foul trouble early; Meagan Hardy came in to play excellent defense and score 11 points. Hardy had the task of guarding Mary Dobry, a varsity player and Albion's leading scorer with 11 points. Point guard Carrie Godin led the Firebirds with 21

points. Center Laura Grace had 16 points; Breck Gildner scored seven; and Brandie Bates finished with five.

"Brandie Bates had several rebounds and was one of our outstanding defensive players," said Parker. Parker said his team members were gaining confidence and improving every time they played.

"Each player in her own way is contributing to the team," he said.

On a "buzzer beater" off a missed shot with three seconds left, Jeremiah Dull hit a 10-foot shot to give the Kirtland mens team a 77-75 win at Adrian College. It was the second time this year the Firebirds have won a match in the last seconds. Earlier this season, Monte Tucker hit a shot with the clock running out to help KCC defeat Delta.

The Firebirds took a 40-36 half-time lead and it was nick and tuck from there. LaShawn Moody had his best day as a Kirtland player by hitting 11 field goals for 22 points. Others in double figures for Kirtland included Alvaidas Gedminas with 13 and Kelsey Wood with 12. Gedminas also dominated the rebounding.

"Dull's winner just beat the buzzer," said Coach Donahue. "I was listening for the horn as he shot it and it just beat it; the horn sounded as it went through. The Firebirds are a young team and all of this is part of the growing pains that all new teams go through."

Kirtland's mens team lost in overtime to the Siena Heights Junior

Varsity Saints on November 25 in Adrian by a final score of 106-94.

"We lost our poise for a minute at the end of the first half and it cost us," said Coach Donahue. "We went from 42-40 to 42-50. We came back strong in the second half, but some rebounding errors allowed them to stay close. We tied it at the buzzer 89-89 with a 15-foot shot by Kelsey Wood. But then we played really poorly in the overtime period."

Kirtland scored only five points to the Saints' 17 during the five-minute overtime period. Tucker led the Firebirds with 31 points, all in the second half, including seven three-pointers. Other high scorers were Wood (12); Moody (10); Dull (10); Dmitry Popov (9); and Gedminas (8). Gedminas led the team in rebounds with 11.

The Firebirds will host four straight home contests and the Lady Firebirds will host two:

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Correction

In last week's *Avalanche*, the wrong photograph was used to represent GHS football player Marvin Forbes in the "Football team holds awards banquet" article. The photo shown was of Matt Gabriel. The *Avalanche* apologizes for the error.

Forbes received an All-NEMC "honorable mention" for his work at the tight end position this past football season.

"Marvin really had a nice season both offensively and defensively. We'll be glad to have him back next year," said GHS football coach Scott Cousineau.



Marvin Forbes
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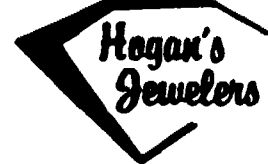


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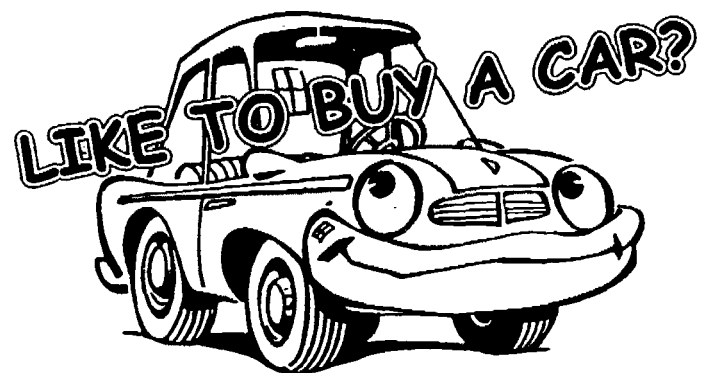
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National Honor Society inductees for 2000

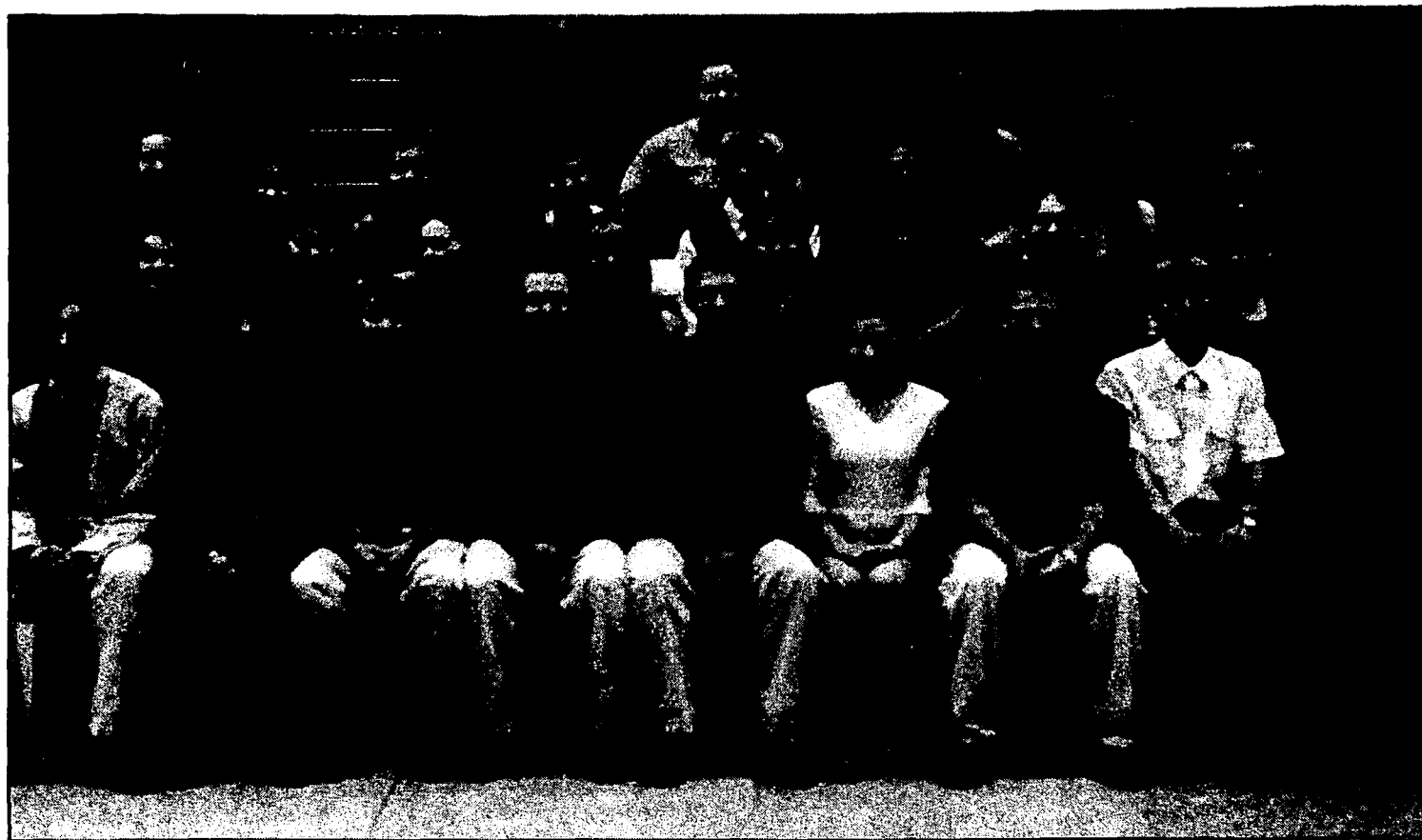


Photo by Cheryl Ruley

The Grayling chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 27 new members, including two foreign exchange students (denoted by *) at a ceremony on November 8 at Grayling High School. New members are (in alphabetical order): Christoph Bastian*, Larry Baynham, Jamie Bourrie, Robert Collins, Shalee Cox, Nicholas D'Amour, Michelle Elsner, Rachael Evon, Kalub Fedak, Wesley Fox, Michelle Gildner, Arturs Graulbe*, Jennifer Hubbard, Ann Hughes, Scott Latusek, Rachel Ramaswamy, Bridgette Reed, Regina Rosi, Richard Schmidt, Shane Stephenson, Alexis Sumner, Forrest Thompson, Robert VanNuck, Emily Wakeley, Alesha Wargo, Chet Wheeler, Jennifer Wheeling. Present members (not shown) are: Jessika Abfalter, Levi Burkett, Jason Collen, Bradley Gorski, Jessica Holzbauer, Rachel Hunt, Rebecca Hunt, Paul Jansen, Lindsay Lokovich, Kira Maples, John McNamara, Meghan Meyer, Nathaniel Miller, Christopher Peters, Joshua Petrie, Jeffery Rose, Lance Royston, Kimberly Ruley, Sonya Saladine, Gwen Siefert, Michelle Stepp.



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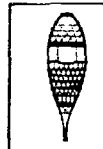
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Women's Standings		Sawmill I	
Sawmill II	80	5 Ball Run: Melonie R. of Sawmill II	.39
Spikes	76	6 Ball Run: Lanette D. of Swamp II	
Swamp II	74	Won all six games: Donna R. and Alice S. of Legion, Jackie R. and Vickie N. of Frederic Inn.	
Holiday Inn	.72		
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Upper Lakes Tire. 21 - 14
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McLeans ACE. 17 - 18
Moore's Automotive. 17 - 18
Helsel Forest Products. 16 - 19
Fenton's Auto Service. 13 - 22
CSI Ind. Systems. 12 - 23
High Game: T. Devins, 255; J. Helsel, 244; D. Canfield, 234.
High Series: T. Devins, 617; D. Canfield, 605; J. Thayer, 587.

Friday Mixed Doubles

Moshier Auto Repair. 34 - 18
Aunt Bettys. 29 - 23
Charles Country Corner. 28 - 24
Gray Rock Cafe. 27 - 25
C.U.P.S. 25 - 27
Double Trouble. 23 - 29
Fick & Sons. 23 - 29
LAR-BEV KFC. 19 - 33
High Game Men: D. Germain, 245; D. Yanniello, 211, and R. Case, 200.
High Series Men: D. Germain, 603; R. Case, 578; D. Yanniello and B. Nielson, 546.
High Game Women: B. Lozon, 232; K. Trudeau, 207; K. Moshier, 181.
High Series Women: K. Trudeau, 549; S. Johnson, 508; B. Lozon, 502.

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North Michigan Financial. 35 - 17
Curves For Women. 28.5 - 23.5
R. Calkins & Sons. 28 - 24
Pro Tree. 28 - 24
Darrell's Roofing. 26.5 - 25.5
Plaza Bar. 23.5 - 28.5
R & M Masonry. 22.5 - 29.5
Rose Owen. 16 - 36
High Game: L. Dannenberg, 216; D. Elekonich, 201; R. Smith, T. Day, D. Roman, 192.
High Series: S. Romain, 570; L. Dannenberg, 549; D. Roman, 543.

Sunday Night Mixed

R & M Masonry. 60 - 31
Wakeley's Auto Parts. 55 - 36
Helsel Brother's. 53 - 38
Waste Management. 48 - 43
Custom Interior. 43 - 48
Legion Lanes. 39 - 42
Billy's. 34 - 57
M.I.A.S. 32 - 59
High Game Men: R. Adkinson, 206; J. Helsel, 200; R. Moshier, 197.
High Series Men: R. Adkinson, 552; R. Moshier, 544; J. Helsel, 533.
High Game Women: J. Hinds, 200; N. Glasslee, 192; S. Romain, 190.
High Series Women: N. Glasslee, 534; S. Romain, 533; J. Hinds, 530.

Triangle

Gray Rock Cafe. 34 - 18
A-H Rental. 32.5 - 19.5

Barber Construction. 31 - 21
G.G.S. 25 - 15
Moshier Refrigeration. 24.5 - 27.5
Moshier Auto Repair. 24.5 - 27.5
Bancroft Const. 19.5 - 20.5
High Game: D. Yanniello, 214; D. Canfield, II, 196; J. Lozon, 195.
High Series: J. Lozon, 578; D. Yanniello, 538; R. Moshier, 532.

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8. Cornell Insurance
Men's High Series: L. Essiambre, 620.
Men's High Game: L. Crampton, 223.
Women's High Series: G. VanDeCastele, 468.
Women's High Game: H. Spencer, 175.

Recreation

Glen's. 35.5 - 12.5
Chicken Little Joint Project. 28 - 20
Cornell. 27 - 21
Peterson Saw Service. 26 - 22
Mickey Perez. 23 - 25

Skyline Ski & C.C. 22.5 - 25.5
Mark 8. 16.5 - 31.5
Scheer Motors. 13.5 - 34.5
High Game: D. Mead, 221; B. Wheeler, 210; D. Tobin, 191.
High Series: D. Mead, 531; L. Speese, 496; B. Wheeler, 495.
Pioneer
Custom Interior. 33 - 15
Chemical Bank. 32 - 16
Aunt Betty's. 27.5 - 20.5

Ginger's. 26 - 22
Millikins. 19 - 29
Lady Slippers. 19 - 29
Lucky Strikers. 18 - 30
Avalanche. 17.5 - 30.5
High Game: S. France, 235; N. Glasslee, 207; S. Johnson, 206.
High Series: S. France, 584; N. Glasslee, 556; S. Johnson, 555.
National First
Northern Whitetail. 21 - 7

Forest Brothers. 17 - 11
Legion Lanes. 16 - 12
Hart Pontiac-GMC. 16 - 12
Faustman's Insurance. 12 - 16
Hellebuyck Masonry. 12 - 16
Miller's Production. 10 - 18
Swamp II. 8 - 20
High Game: J. Thayer, 265; T. Kotrash, 247; J. Thayer, 237.
High Series: T. Kotrash, 706; D. Canfield, 610; J. Thayer, 607.

Grayling Elementary students say 'We care'



Photo courtesy of Grayling Elementary School

Students at Grayling Elementary School take their CORE democratic values to heart. The Student Council sponsored a food drive from November 9-22, with all proceeds going to the Christian Help Center. Students and their families donated a total of 1,407 items, proving the common good is alive and well at GES.

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TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
The decedent, who lived at 11459 S. Grayling Rd., Roscommon, Michigan, 48653, died 10/25/00.

An application for informal probate was filed by Charles R. Garland 164 Lockwood Dr. Gladwin, Michigan 48624. The Crawford County Probate Court Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, Michigan 49738, granted informal probate. The results of the granting of the Application for Informal Probate may be to bar or affect any interested person's interest in the matter.

Barry B. George (P13922)
816 W. Wackerly St., Ste. #2
Midland, MI 48640
(517) 832-1816

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate

File No. 00-6213-DE

Estate of Evelyn Garland, Deceased
Date of Birth: 12-18-12
TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO ALL CREDITORS: The decedent, Evelyn Garland, who lived at 11459 S. Grayling Rd., Roscommon, Michigan, 48653, died 10/25/00.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Charles R. Garland, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, Michigan 49738, and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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164 Lockwood Dr.
Gladwin, MI 48624

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

File No: 00-5255-CH

DUANE LAMOTTE AND BRENDA LAMOTTE Husband and wife, plaintiffs.

v

DAVID AITKEN

Defendant.

MONTE J. BURMEISTER P48732

The Law Offices of Monte J. Burnmeister, PLLC

306 State St., P.O. Box 585

Grayling, MI 49738

PH: 517-348-7114

ORDER FOR SUBSTITUTED SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

At a session of said Court held in City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on this 31 day of October, 2000.

PRESENT: HONORABLE ALTON T. DAVIS

DAVIS

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

BASED UPON the filing and reading of Plaintiffs' Motion for Substituted Service of the Complaint as to the Defendant David Aitken, and this Court being fully advised in the premises; NOW THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED THAT this Order be published in the newspaper in Crawford County once each week for three consecutive weeks directing the Defendant as follows:

TO THE DEFENDANT, DAVID AITKEN:

1. You are being sued within the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan;
2. The names of the parties are: Plaintiffs, Duane LaMotte and Brenda LaMotte, and Defendant, David Aitken;
3. These proceedings are to enter a judgment against Defendant providing for immediate possession of said premises as well as an amount of \$5738.91 for default in Land Contract in favor of Plaintiffs.
4. That an answer needs to be filed/taken within 28 days at the Crawford County Circuit Court, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, Michigan, 49738, or other action permitted by law or court rule must be taken.
5. That a failure to answer or to take other action will result in a default being filed against the Defendant, DAVID AITKEN.

Dated: October 31, 2000

HONORABLE ALTON T. DAVIS

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

-23-30-7

STATUTORY NOTICE (BY PERSON CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED)

To the owner of any and all interests in

or liens upon the property described:

Take Notice: Sale was lawfully made of the following described property for unpaid taxes on that property, and that the undersigned has title to the property under tax deed or deeds issued for the property. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this property within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the treasurer of the county in which the property is located, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as for personal service of a summons on commencing a civil action, without other additional cost or charge. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the property.

Description of property State of Michigan, County of Crawford:

Lot 57, 20-010-14-400-00-057-00, Lovells Township, Northern Heights, Town 28, Range 1W. \$27.17, taxes for year 1996.

This parcel is not an improved residential parcel.

Donald McCleary
3452 Northeast Trail
Grayling, MI 49738

To: Dwight Hilborn, 14 S. Beech Ave. Highland Springs, VA 23075, last grantee in the regular chain of title of such property or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of said County.

I do hereby certify and return, that the within Notice was delivered to me for service on the 26th day of September 2000, and that after careful inquiry, which has been continued from that time until this date, I am unable to ascertain the whereabouts or post office address of 14 S. Beech Avenue, Highland Springs, VA 23075

Dated October 27, 2000

Christina M. Bassett

Confidential Secretary to Sheriff of said County.

-16-23-30-7

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

File No. 99-4917-CH(M)

EVERETT HOGGARD and ARTHELLA HOGGARD, Plaintiffs,

v

PHYLLIS J. SAUTER TRUST, SHAKTI HOTEL-MOTEL, CORP., and PAUL MICHAEL MARKS, Defendants.

BRABANT & MANNIKKO, PLLC

By: Bruce K. Mannikko P47238

Attorney for Plaintiffs

241 Lake Street, P.O. Box 35

Roscommon, MI 48653

(517) 275-4365

SHAKTI HOTEL-MOTEL, CORP.

In Pro Per

2723 Niles Avenue

St. Joseph, MI 49085

DAVID B. SABIN P19822

Attorney for Defendant Sauter

115 Michigan Avenue

Grayling, MI 49738

(517) 348-5588

PAUL MICHAEL MARKS

In Pro Per

993 Northpointe Drive, S.W.

Grand Rapids, MI 49509

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by virtue of a Judgement of Foreclosure in the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan dated the 22nd day of May, 2000, in the matter of EVERETT HOGGARD and ARTHELLA HOGGARD v. PHYLLIS J. SAUTER TRUST, SHAKTI HOTEL-MOTEL, CORP., and PAUL MICHAEL MARKS. File Number of said cause being 99-4917-CH(M) directing the sale of certain real estate, and pursuant to Act 600.3125 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, as amended by Public Act 1974, Number 297, the County Clerk or a Deputy County Clerk of the County of Crawford shall expose for sale at public sale, to the highest bidder, at the entrance of the Crawford County Building, in the City of Grayling, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court of Crawford County, on the 27th day of December, 2000 at 2: o'clock p.m., the real estate located in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, described as follows:

The North 50 feet of Lot 1 and Beginning at NW corner of Lot 1; thence W 180 feet; thence S 120 feet; thence E 180 feet; thence N 120 feet to POB, formerly Lots 3, 4, 5 of Hadley's 3rd Addition, Block 2 and also the South 33 feet of vacated Clare Street lying Northerly and adjacent thereto.

Pursuant to said judgment, the real estate above described shall be sold to the highest bidder.

SANDRA MOORE, Crawford County Clerk, Acting under Act 600.3125 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, as amended, by Public Act 1974, Number 297.

Dated: October 19, 2000

Dana M. Anderson, Deputy

SANDRA MOORE

Crawford County Clerk

-2-9-16-23-30-7-14

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David R. Shriver and Teresa L. Shriver, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Midwest Mortgage Inc., mortgagee, dated October 11, 1996, and recorded on October 16, 1996 in Liber 419, on Page 437, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to BA Mortgage, LLC (a wholly owned subsidiary of Bank of America, N.A.) successor in interest by merger of Nationsbank Mortgage Corporation, as assignee by an assignment dated March 2, 1997, which was recorded on April 23, 1997, in Liber 428, on Page 568, Crawford County Records, and re-recorded on May 27, 1997, in Liber 430, on Page 396, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE AND 71/100 dollars (\$82,425.71), including interest at 8.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on January 3, 2001.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 46, Sherwood Forest #2, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 04 of Plats, Page 15 Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 16, 2000

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE

CALL: 248-593-1300

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys and Counselors

30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100

Bingham Farms, MI 48025

File # 2000024247

-16-23-30-7-14

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas Martin Izatt aka Thomas M. Izatt, a single man (original mortgagors) to Delta Funding Corporation, mortgagee, dated March 5, 1999, and recorded on March 22, 1999 in Liber 0477, on Page 225, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Norwest Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of March 30, 1999, Delta Funding Home Equity Loan Trust 1999-1 C/O Delta Funding Corporation, Servicing Agent, Assignee by an assignment dated August 22, 2000, which was recorded on October 17, 2000, in Liber 520, on Page 527, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of NINETY-SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY AND 50/100 dollars (\$97,530.50), including interest at 11.600% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on January 3, 2001.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF FREDERIC, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

The North 1/2 of Southeast 1/4 of Southwest 1/4 of Section 17, Town 27 North Range 4 West, Less and Except the North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 17, Town 27 North, Range 4 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 16, 2000

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE

CALL: 248-593-1310

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys and Counselors

30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100

Bingham Farms, MI 48025

File # 200002158

-16-23-30-7-14

Welcome Our New Physician Susan Anderson, MD

NEUROLOGY & SLEEP DISORDERS

Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey is pleased to welcome Susan Anderson, MD, to our medical staff. Dr. Anderson, a neurologist from the Detroit area, will be accepting patients at her new practice, Bay Area Neurology and Sleep Disorders in Petoskey.

Dr. Anderson recently completed a fellowship in Neurophysiology and Sleep Disorders at the Veterans Administration Hospital and University Health Center in Detroit. She is a member of the American Academy of Neurology, American Medical Association, American Sleep Disorders Association, Michigan State Medical Society, Michigan Neurologic Association, Michigan Sleep Disorders Association and the American Neurophysiology Association.

Dr. Anderson sees patients by appointment in Petoskey and at satellite clinics in Cheboygan & Gaylord.

Patients should speak with their family physician about a referral to Dr. Anderson.

For more information about Dr. Anderson or any of our physicians, please call HealthAccess at 1-800-248-6777.

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Eligible in Neurology, Sleep Medicine
and Neurophysiology.

Family

Married to Bob Anderson, a
Registered Nurse who works
in her office

LEGAL ACTION

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE AND SALE

MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by **Forest Dunes, LLC**, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, Mortgagor to **Carpenters Pension Trust Fund - Detroit and Vicinity**, Mortgagee dated: **April 22, 1998** and recorded on **April 28, 1998**.

In Liber 452, on pages 177-198 Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of **Nineteen Million Dollars (\$19,000,000)**, including interest at **12.75 %** per annum.

Under the Judgement of Foreclosure entered on October 13, 2000 in Case No. 00-5132 by the 46th Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, the Honorable Alton T. Davis presiding and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Main entrance to the Crawford County Courthouse, Crawford County Building, 200 West Michigan Ave., Grayling, Michigan 49738 at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on December 27, 2000.

Said premises are situated in **South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan** and are described as:

Description of Real Estate

Land situated in the Township of South Branch, County of Crawford and State of Michigan, being more particularly described as follows:

Phase 1 Parcel Description:

A Parcel of land being a part of the East 1/2 of Section 3 and part of Section 2 and Lots 1, 3, 42, 50, 78, 94, 98, 112 & 113 of South Branch Ranch Unit Number 1 Subdivision more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Southeast corner of Section 2, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, Crawford County, Michigan: thence North 88°54'32" West 2,607.82 feet along the South line of Section 2 to the South 1/4 corner of Section 2, thence North 88°54'37" West 2,143.00 feet along the South line of Section 2 to the East line of South Branch Ranch Unit Number 1 Subdivision, thence North 11°52'06" West 68.79 feet, thence North 12°17'06" West 225.75 feet, thence north 75°56'01" East 165.25 feet to a point on a non-tangent curve concave to the Northeast having a radius of 201.33 feet and central angle of 22°02'00" thence 77.42 feet along the arc of said curve said arc having a chord bearing and distance of South 44°28'55" East 76.95 feet, thence North 05°49'54" East 81.70 feet to a point on a non-tangent curve concave to the Northeast having a radius of 144.15 feet and a central angle of 22°45'32" thence 57.26 feet along the arc of said curve said arc having a chord bearing and distance of North 26°26'32" West 56.88 feet, thence North 13°54'08" West 165.88 feet to a point on a tangent curve concave to the East having a radius of 183.80 feet and a central angle of 43°15'08" thence 183.80 feet along the arc of said arc having a chord bearing and distance of North 06°14'00" East 135.48 feet thence South 88°40'56" West 173.07 feet, thence North 07°49'32" East 237.52 feet, thence North 10°10'20" East 66.23 feet thence North 03°48'38" East 263.07 feet, thence North 57°30'06" West 69.45 feet, thence North 23°05'54" East 178.53 feet, thence North 38°31'08" West 269.80 feet to a point on a non-tangent curve concave to the Northwest having a radius of 503.77 feet and a central angle of 14°41'53" thence 129.23 feet along the arc of said curve said arc having a chord bearing and distance of South 58°23'06" West 128.88 feet, thence North 31°44'06" West 202.72 feet, thence South 70°13'54" West 450.00 feet, thence North 65°37'06" West 49.10 feet, thence South 22°40'54" West 285.70 feet, thence North 63°44'06" West 20.00 feet to a non-tangent curve concave to the Northeast having a radius of 245.50 feet and a central angle of 60°12'56" thence 258.01 feet along the arc of said curve said arc having a chord bearing and distance of North 35°51'36" West 246.30 feet, thence North 05°45'06" West 212.92 feet, thence South 85°10'51" West 408.99 feet, thence North 27°34'27" West 543.04 feet, thence South 76°04'10" West 208.72 feet, thence North 14°32'46" West 175.52 feet, thence North 11°00'48" West 140.68 feet, thence North 10°51'37" West 66.01 feet, thence North 15°46'36" West 84.75 feet, thence North 53°17'54" East 204.50 feet, thence North 25°51'01" West 122.14 feet, thence North 09°25'10" West 66.00 feet, thence North 80°34'50" East 189.35 feet to a point on a tangent curve concave to the North having a radius of 1,967.00 feet and a central angle of 04°37'43" thence 158.90 feet along the arc of said curve said arc having a chord bearing distance of North 78°15'58" East

158.86 feet, thence North 75°57'07" East 416.30 feet to a point on a tangent curve concave to the Northwest having a radius of 967.00 feet and a central angle of 05°19'14" thence 89.92 feet along the arc said curve said arc having a chord bearing and distance of North 73°17'17" East 89.89 feet, thence North 24°07'23" West 220.00 feet thence North 50°58'46" East 185.55 feet, thence North 39°01'14" West 86.42 feet, thence North 50°58'46" East 102.66 feet, thence South 66°12'42" East 403.56 feet, thence South 38°02'09" East 66.00 feet, thence North 51°57'51" East 131.03 feet to a point on a tangent curve concave to the Northwest having a radius of 500.00 feet and a central angle of 05°54'18" thence 51.53 feet along the arc said curve said arc having a chord bearing and distance of North 49°00'41" East 51.51 feet, thence North 46°03'32" East 222.91 feet, thence South 41°06'28" East 137.56 feet, thence North 45°00'10" East 1,161.13 feet, thence South 44°59'50" East 453.27 feet, thence South 03°51'57" West 258.39 feet, thence South 71°22'05" East 867.78 feet, thence North 70°43'10" East 584.94 feet, thence South 40°19'19" East 955.58 feet, thence North 56°54'04" East 151.59 feet, thence North 12°24'10" East 514.23 feet, thence North 22°35'39" East 675.49 feet, thence North 37°57'39" East 875.61 feet, thence South 29°31'49" East 651.15 feet, thence South 09°35'05" West 1,290.88 feet to a point on a non-tangent curve concave to the Southwest having a radius of 674.19 feet and a central angle of 27°59'53" thence 329.45 feet along the arc of said curve said arc having a chord bearing and distance of South 62°43'03" East 326.18 feet to a point on a non-tangent curve concave to the South having radius of 50 feet and a central angle of 77°17'59" thence 67.46 feet along the arc of said curve said arc having a chord bearing and distance of North 82°03'23" East 62.46 feet, thence North 30°42'33" East 131.56 feet, thence North 81°26'34" East 212.27 feet, thence South 00°54'40" West 3,107.26 feet along the East line of Section 2 to the Southeast corner of Section 2 and the point of beginning.

and also

Sections 2 and 3, T25N-R2W, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan: EXCEPT the Plats of South Branch Ranch Unit No. 1 and South Branch Ranch Unit No. 2 and Chandra Village; and

Parcel 2

South Branch Ranch Unit No. 1, being a part of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 2, and part of the East 1/2 of Section 3, T25N-R2W, recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, page 21, EXCEPT the following lots: 9 through 41 inclusive; 51 through 77 inclusive; 79 through 92 inclusive; 99 through 111 inclusive; and 114 through 116 inclusive; and

Parcel 3

South Branch Ranch Unit No. 2, being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4, Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 and the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 3, T25N-R2W, recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, page 40, EXCEPT the following lots: 150 through 154; and 238 through 245; and

Parcel 4

Chandra Village, being parts of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4, the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4, and the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 3, T25N-R2W, recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, page 16; and

excepting therefrom that portion of the real estate described as Phase 1 above.

EXHIBIT B

All right, title and interest of Debtor in and to following (collectively, the "Property"):

(1) The real property described in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof (the "Land");

(2) all additional lands, estates and development rights hereafter acquired by Debtor for use in connection with the Land and the development of the Land and all additional lands and estates therein which may, from time to time, by supplemental mortgage or otherwise be expressly made subject to the lien of the Security Instrument as defined below;

(3) the buildings, structures, fixtures, additions, enlargements, extensions, modifications, repairs, replacements and improvements now or hereafter erected or located on the Land (the "Improvements");

(4) all easements, rights-of-way or use, rights, strips and gores of land, streets, ways, alleys, passages, sewer rights, water, water courses, water rights and powers, air rights and development rights, and all estates, rights, titles, interests, privileges, liberties, servitudes, tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances of any nature whatsoever, in any way now or hereafter, belonging, relating

or pertaining to the Land and the Improvements and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, and all land lying in the bed of any street, road or avenue, opened or proposed, in front of or adjoining the Land, to the center line thereof and all the estates, rights, titles, interests, dower and rights of dower, curtesy and rights of curtesy, property, possession, claim and demand whatsoever, both at law and in equity, of Debtor of, in and to the Land and the Improvements and every part and parcel thereof, with the appurtenances thereto;

(5) all machinery, equipment, fixtures (including but not limited to all hearings, air conditioning, plumbing, lighting, communications and elevator fixtures) and other property of every kind and nature whatsoever owned by Debtor, or in which Debtor has or shall have an interest, now or hereafter located upon the Land and the Improvements, or appurtenant thereto, and usable in connection with the present or future operation and occupancy of the Land and the Improvements and all building equipment, materials and supplies of any nature whatsoever owned by Debtor, or in which Debtor has or shall have an interest, now or hereafter located upon the Land and the Improvements, or appurtenant thereto, or usable in connection with the present or future operation and occupancy of the Land and the Improvements (hereinafter collectively called the "Personal Property"), and the right, title and interest of Debtor in and to any of the Personal Property which may be subject to any security interests, as defined in the Uniform Commercial Code, as adopted and enacted by the state or states where any of the Property is located (the "Uniform Commercial Code"), superior in lien to the lien of the Security Instrument and all proceeds and products of the above;

(6) all awards or payments, including interest thereon, which may heretofore and hereafter be made with respect to the Property, whether from the exercise of the right of eminent domain (including but not limited to any transfer in lieu of or in anticipation of the exercise of said right), or for a change of grade, or for any other injury to or decrease in the value of the Property;

(7) all leases and other agreements affecting the use, enjoyment or occupancy of the Land and the Improvements heretofore or hereafter entered into (the "Leases") and all right, title and interest of Debtor, its successors and assigns therein and thereunder, including, without limitation, cash or securities deposited thereunder to secure the performance by the lessees of their obligations thereunder and all rents, revenues, issues and profits (including all oil and gas or other mineral royalties and bonuses) from the Land and the Improvements (the "Rents") and all proceeds from the sale or other disposition of the Leases and the right to receive and apply the Rents to the payment of the indebtedness secured by the Security Instrument and the Assignment of Leases and Rents (as defined below);

(8) all proceeds of and any unearned premiums on any insurance policies covering the Property, including, without limitation, the right to receive and apply the proceeds of any insurance, judgements, or settlements made in lieu thereof, for damage to the Property;

(9) all refunds, rebates or credits in connection with a reduction in real estate taxes and assessments charged against the Property as a result of tax certiorari or any applications or proceedings for reduction;

(10) all proceeds of the conversion, voluntary or involuntary, of any of the foregoing including, without limitation, proceeds of insurance and condemnation awards, into cash or liquidation claims;

(11) the right, in the name and on behalf of Debtor, to appear in and defend any action or proceeding brought with respect to the Property and to commence any action or proceeding to protect the interest of Secured Party in the Property;

(12) all agreements, contracts, certificates, instruments, franchises, permits, licenses, plans, specifications and other documents, now or hereafter entered into, and all rights therein and thereto, respecting or pertaining to the use, occupation, construction, management or operation of the Land and any part thereof and any Improvements or respecting any business or activity conducted on the Land and any part thereof and all right, title and interest of Debtor therein and thereunder, including, without limitation, the right, upon the happening of any default under the Security Instrument, or any other document executed in connection therewith, to receive and collect any sums payable to Debtor thereunder;

(13) all trade names, trademarks, service marks, logo, copyrights, goodwill, books and records and all other general intangibles relating to or used in connection with the operation of the Property; and

(14) any and all other rights of Debtor in the times described in (1) - (13) above. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: Oct. 27, 2000.
Carpenters Pension Trust Fund, Detroit and Vicinity, Mortgagee
Arnold Schafer, Esq., Schafer and Weiner, P.C.

40950 Woodward Ave., Suite 100
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304, Attorney.
16-23-30-7-14-21

RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Meeting held on the 13th day of November 2000 Grayling, Michigan

Meeting called to order by Mayor Palmer at 7:30 P.M.

Members Present: Palmer, Brown, Hayes, Wyman, Banda.

Members Absent: None.

Also in Attendance: Allen Lowe, City Manager, Kay Ellen King, City Clerk, Gail Madsen, Caleb Casey, Dave Frederick, Lynn McConnell, Carolyn DiPonio, Bob Butzin, Dennis Palmer, Dave Stevenson, Ann Stevenson, Terry Wright, Doug Duby, Dennis Long, Shawn Schnoor, Wayne Koppa, Boy Scout Troop 979 and their leaders.

00-130

Moved by Wyman, supported by Brown that the minutes of the meeting of October 30, 2000 be approved as presented. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Public Hearing, None.

Communications were received and noted.

a. Grayling Police Report for October 2000.

b. Charter Communications Letter.

c. City Election Results.

d. Final Leaf Pick-Up Day is Tuesday, November 14, 2000.

e. C.I.A. Minutes of August 21, 2000.

f. Proposal 2 Wrap-up.

g. Emerson Review Letter requesting that the city could add their paper to legal notification mail, this service would be free at this time. Council agreed to use this free service.

Old Business.

a. Ownership of Sewer Lines. Mr. Duby was present to explain to Council the policy that was passed in 1973 is the current city policy. It says that the homeowner is responsible for sewer line maintenance and repair to the main. Much discussion was held regarding who should be responsible for the sewer lines under the city streets. Councilman Banda will prepare a draft policy and bring it to the next council meeting.

b. Mr. Duby also brought to Council 3 major concerns of the city.

1. Water Tower Repairs. This can be done next year.

2. Flow Meter in Sewage Lagoon needs to be replaced. This we are taking care of and have the money in the budget to do this at this time. The cost will be approximately \$6,700, to \$8,200.

3. Pump Station in Industrial Park is approximately 30 years old and needs to be overhauled. This is a costly process but Mr. Duby feels that this should be done as soon as possible.

00-131

Moved by Wyman, supported by Banda to amend the budget in the water and sewer fund for up to \$34,000.00 to overhaul the current pump station in the Industrial Park. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

c. Street Scape Project. Gail Madsen and Dave Frederick were present to speak to the Council regarding graphics of the proposed street scape and preliminary cost projections. They talked to Council about 3 options the City could take in the city's match for this project. Council will study these and commit to one of the options at the next meeting.

Ms. Madsen spoke to Council about a Tree Planting Grant Application that would benefit the Grayling City Park and surrounding City properties. This application has to be applied for by November 14, 2000.

00-132

Moved by Brown, supported by Hayes to submit a grant application that would enable the Community Improvement Authority to plant trees and shrubs along the walkways, riverside, railroad tracks and at the new city hall.

Project Amount \$20,000.
Grant Amount \$10,000.
Matching Funds from Parks Budget \$10,000.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

d. Township Industrial Park. Terry Wright, Dave Stevenson, John Patchin, and Lynn McConnell came to discuss with Council what they have been doing as a committee working on the Township Industrial Park. They are pleased with the progress they have made and encourage input from the City. They want co-operation between the City and the Township as it will benefit all. Mr. Wright explained to Council that this Township Industrial Park will not hurt Grayling and that every business that locates in the park will create jobs that will be beneficial to the community.

e. City Hall Update. Ken Richmond will be in Grayling on Tuesday to get information from the city staff on the new offices. Council needs to make a decision on financing the new building. The possibility that the State Police Lab may move needs to be addressed. The City Manager will contact the state and see what their plans are for moving the lab to Gaylord.

New Business.

a. Antenna on Top of the Water Tower. One of the businesses in town has shown an interest in locating an 18" antenna on the water tower to provide high speed Internet service. This was discussed and the City Manager will get more information and bring back to Council. Some communities do this and some don't.

b. Steering Committee Update. Ms. Brown stated that at their December 18th meeting they will go over the revised draft of the Zoning Ordinance and be ready for a Public Hearing in January.

Citizens who wish to speak.

a. Ms. McConnell gave a packet of the Brownfield Re-development to the County to see what they are planning to do. They told her they were going to start a Brownfield Re-development Authority and plan to hold a Public Hearing the 20th of December.

b. Ms McConnell attended a NEMCOG meeting and 7 programs for local communities were discussed, some of which would be of interest to the community.

c. Ms. McConnell spoke to someone with an interest in opening new business in the city. She has been showing them different locations available to new business.

d. Mr. Stevenson would like more information on the 5 year plan of the State Police and what the community could do to keep the State Police Lab in Grayling.

Reports of City Manager.

a. City Council and the Grayling Township need to get together to discuss the future Fire Department.

b. The Council also needs to be thinking of how much fund balance the city needs to have on hand. The auditors say 6 months but would prefer 12 months. This needs to be addressed soon.

Reports of Council Members.

a. Mr Wyman is concerned about MERS and the unfunded liability. Need to have more information.

b. Ms. Palmer asked about the 2000 Sidewalk Project. It is finished for this year due to the weather. Hunt Bros will be back in the spring to finish the project.

Adjournment

00-133

Moved by Wyman, supported by Brown that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 P.M.

Kay Ellen King
City Clerk.

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

00-134

MORTGAGE SALE Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by **James H. Rutherford and Amy A. Rutherford husband and wife (original mortgagors)** to **Bank One Financial Services Inc., Mortgagee**, dated **April 26, 1999** and recorded on **May 6, 1999** in Liber 480, page 528, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgage to the **Bank One National Association as Trustee**, Assignee by an assignment dated **September 21, 1999** which was recorded on **August 16, 2000** in Liber 515, page 256, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of **EIGHTY-FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO AND 54/100 DOLLARS (\$84,822.54)**, including interest at **12.460 %** per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statutes in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on January 3, 2001.

Said premises are situated in **TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH BRANCH, Crawford County, Michigan**, and are described as:

The East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 33, Township 25 North, Range 2 West, Lying South of County Road as now existing.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 9, 2000
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

248-593-1305

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys and Counselors

30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100

Bingham Farms, MI 48025

File #200016266

-9-16-23-30-7

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate

File No. 00-6216-DE

Estate of **William L. File, Deceased**

Date of Birth: **9-24-44**

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, William L. File, who lived at 2204 Viking Way, Grayling, Michigan, 49738, died 11/05/00.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Mildred E. File, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, Michigan 49738, and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

11-30-00

Mildred E. File

304 Peninsular Ave.
P.O. Box 456
Grayling, MI 49738

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by **TAMMY L. MYERS**, whose address is 9700 Elizabeth Street, Grayling, Michigan, 49738, to **THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**, acting through the **Farmers Home Administration** (now known as Rural Development), United States Department of Agriculture, with its District Office being located at 240 W. Wright Street, West Branch, Michigan, 48661, the Mortgagee, such Mortgage being dated December 16, 1994 and recorded December 16, 1994 in Liber 387 in Crawford County Records on Pages 530, 531, 532 and 533, and re-recorded November 19, 1997 in Liber 442, Crawford County Records on Pages 74, 75, 76 and 77 to correct liber number in property description, such Mortgage being given to secure a Promissory Note payable to the Government, and by reason of such default the Mortgagee elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of such Mortgage due and payable forthwith, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of **SIXTY TWO THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTY AND 74/100 (\$62,330.74) DOLLARS**, and no proceedings having been instituted at law or equity to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative;

Now, Therefore, Notice is Hereby Given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance of the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front lobby of the County Building in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court and in said County, on the 3rd day of January, 2001 at 10:00 a.m., local time, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount due as aforesaid on the Mortgage together with 8.0% interest, legal costs, attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does not pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises described in said Mortgage are situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan, and are described as: Lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 37, 38, 39 and 40, Block 6, Fourth Addition to Portage Lake Park, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 22, Crawford County Records.

During the six months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed unless the property is abandoned, in which case the redemption shall be thirty (30) days from the date of sale.

For further information with regard to this foreclosure, contact **USDA-Rural Development**, 1501 Cass Street, Suite A, Traverse City, Michigan, 49684, telephone (231) 941-0951.

Dated: November 27, 2000
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the **Farmers Home Administration** (now Rural Development), United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgagee **Michael I. Conlon (P43954)** Running, Wise, Ford & Phillips, P.L.C. 326 E. State Street, P.O. Box 686 Traverse City, MI 49685-0686

-7-14-21-28

FOOTBALL CONTEST 2000-01

**WEEK
14**

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Signature _____

PLEASE NOTE: Advertiser MUST be written in next to team or slip will be VOID!!

Winner	Advertiser	Winner	Advertiser	Winner	Advertiser
Game 1 _____		Game 8 _____		Game 15 _____	
Game 2 _____		Game 9 _____		Game 16 _____	
Game 3 _____		Game 10 _____		Game 17 _____	
Game 4 _____		Game 11 _____		Game 18 _____	
Game 5 _____		Game 12 _____			
Game 6 _____		Game 13 _____		Tiebreaker 3 game #18 _____	
Game 7 _____		Game 14 _____			
Tiebreaker 1 game #1 _____		Tiebreaker 2 game #9 _____			

Avalanche Football Contest Official Rules

(1) Contestants must list the advertiser in which each game is found. Write your prediction for the games played, advertisers and tiebreakers (total points scored by both teams) on entry form. Entry form without advertisers listed will be invalid. The person with the most correct picks wins all the weekly prizes listed. If the tie breakers can not determine a winner, a drawing will be held to select a single winner. (2) One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford County Avalanche employees are not eligible. (3) Completed entry forms must be returned to the Avalanche no later than 5 pm Friday before each week's games. Mail slot in our door may be used Wednesday or Thursday night after 5 pm and before 9 am. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later 5 pm Friday. Mail to Crawford County Avalanche, PO Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738. (4) Entries must be on an official entry form as printed in the Avalanche. No purchase necessary to enter. Entry forms are available at the Avalanche office. Winner may claim their prizes at the Avalanche office between 9 am and 5 pm weekdays. Identification and a social security number must be presented when claiming prizes.

WEEKLY PRIZES

- Sports Cap--Scheer Motors
- \$10 Gift Cert.--Abel Auto Parts
- FREE 20lb. Propane Cylinder Fill-Up --Fick & Sons
- One free lunch, a \$8.95 value --Grayling Holiday Inn
- \$2.00 OFF Any Sandwich of your choice --Bloomin' Grape
- One House Specialty Burrito, a \$6.95 value -- Gray Rock
- \$50--Crawford County Avalanche
- \$10 Gift Cert.--Riverland Gear
- \$5 Gift Cert. good on a 10" or 14" pizza --Buccilli's Pizza
- \$25 Gift Cert.--Comfort Center
- Free lube, oil and filter
- Scott McNamara Ford-Mercury, Inc.
- 20% OFF pair of shoes --Cartwright & Danewell

Week #13 Winning Games

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|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Green Bay (34) | 11. San Francisco |
| 2. Miami | 12. NY Jets |
| 3. NY Giants | 13. Jacksonville |
| 4. Carolina | 14. Marshall |
| 5. Cincinnati | 15. Florida |
| 6. Denver | 16. Oklahoma |
| 7. Pittsburgh | 17. UNLV |
| 8. Seattle | 18. Navy (58) |
| 9. Tampa Bay (34) | |
| 10. Tennessee | |

**Winner of
the Week
Mike D'Amour**

- with 16 correct
 - 90 entries
- Runner-up: Arica Wolcott (15)**

1.) Detroit vs Green Bay
3 Stores in One!
RIVERLAND

 122 Mich. Ave. • Grayling
517-344-0047

5.) Carolina vs Kansas City

 John
Herrick

 Ask me about the new 2001
cars, trucks and vans or
close-out specials on all
remaining 2000 models!

DON NESTER

Located on M-76 N., Roscommon

1-517-275-5105

10.) Seattle vs Denver
ABEL AUTO PARTS

- New & Used Parts Available • We Buy Wrecked Vehicles
- Best Prices In The North! • Late Model Repairables
- Country Wide Locator Service Available
- Lowest Prices On Gas Tanks & Radiators

 Open Monday - Friday 8 am to 5 pm
Located at 8255 Old 27 North, Frederic
517-348-2864 • 1-800-848-4507 • Larry Myas

15.) Delta State vs Bloomsburg


- Silk Screening
- Glass Etching
- Engraving • Trophies
- Vinyl Letters • Embroidery
- Banners • Awards • Flags

Larry Raymond

 5610 M-72 W., Grayling
517-348-9097

2.) New England vs Chicago

 During Football
Games
Coney Dog & A Draft
for only \$2.00
(in bar only)

Food & Spirits

 OPEN FOR BREAKFAST, LUNCH & DINNER
2123 Industrial Dr., Grayling • 517-348-5181

6.) Tampa Bay vs Miami

 Flexsteel • Rowe • Lane and More
In Business in the Grayling Area for 25 Years!
Grayling • M-72 West
348-2961

11.) Washington vs Dallas

**PROPANE
SERVICE**
113 Fig St.,
Grayling
517-348-7647

16.) Widener (PA) vs Mt. Union (Ohio)

 For all your transportation
needs see Cliff Wheeler

GM SCHEER MOTORS

 US-27 North, Grayling
517-348-5451

3.) Philadelphia vs Cleveland
Hart Huge
Selection
Pontiac
GMC
Buick

1-800-341-HART

7.) Pittsburgh vs NY Giants

 Stephen's Special of the Week
1999 GMC Sonoma 4x4, Auto & Air
Only \$13,988

 I have ALL the Used Car Keys!
See Stephen Harland!!

GM SCHEER MOTORS

 US-27 North, Grayling
517-348-5451

12.) Minnesota vs St. Louis
**Speakeasy Saloon
Football Special**

- ♦ Sunday: Long-Necks \$1.50
- ♦ Monday: Pitchers of beer \$5.00
- ♦ Happy Hour:
11:00 AM-9:00 PM Daily
- ♦ Big Screen T.V.

Holiday Drn: (517) 348-7611 OR 800-292-9055

17.) Georgia Southern vs Delaware

 See Darrell Metzger Or
Mark DeBusschere For THE
BEST DEAL AROUND!

 1928 S. Otsego Ave.
Gaylord
1-800-732-6710
(517) 732-6737

4.) Cincinnati vs Tennessee

 Delicatessen,
Wine Market
And Much More

Eat In / Take Out

Party Trays, Gift Baskets for the Holidays

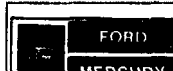
- mention ad & receive \$1.00 off any sandwich
- Cappuccino & Latte • Bulk Olives • Coffee Beans • Gourmet Foods
- Largest Wine Selection In Town • Imported & Domestic Beer

8.) Arizona vs Jacksonville

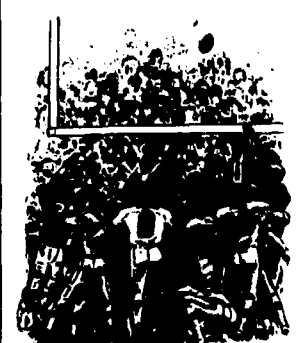
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FOR
MEN & WOMEN**

 1/2 Mile West on M-72
Grayling
348-7903

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 Guaranteed lowest prices on
all new Ford's & Mercury's.
Largest selection of used cars
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FORD-MERCURY, INC.**
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18.) Montana vs Appalachian State
**Buccilli's
PIZZA™**

 Deliveries Starting At 11 am
517-348-4044

**Good
Luck!**
9.) San Diego vs Baltimore
**GM SCHEER
MOTORS**

 U.S. 27 North, Grayling
517-348-5451

14.) NY Jets vs Oakland

 I'll go the distance
to make you a
great deal!!

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FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of December 10-16

ARIES
March 21-April 20
 Slow down and smell the roses. Life is short, and your fast-paced lifestyle may need a little R&R. Take a walk, read a book, watch a sunset just to give yourself some much-needed cool-down time.

TAURUS
April 21-May 21
 You know you should be working harder but you just can't. A perfectionist and procrastinator, you may be dragging your hooves because you're afraid of failure. Don't give up while your so close to the finish line. There's plenty of time for rest and relaxation—later.

GEMINI
May 22-June 21
 Tired of being torn between right and wrong, up and down? Listen to your heart and the answers will come easier than you think. When you let go of the pressures, you'll be able to see the fog clearing up ahead.

CANCER
June 22-July 22
 Always the homebody, take a little time to get out and see the town. Call an old friend, make a new friend, visit your Granny! Take a little time to get out and see the world. You might be pleasantly surprised by your company and new surroundings.

LEO
July 23-August 23
 Leo—a lover of sunlight and spotlight—may be feeling a little down-in-the-dumps lately. Don't worry, springtime will be here before you know it. In the interim, surround yourself in beauty.

VIRGO
August 24-September 22
 Beat the heat—at work, that is—by focusing on the larger picture. Your perspective could affect more than your mood. Call upon an outside source for insight into a particularly knotty problem.

LIBRA
September 23-October 23
 The grind of the everyday routine gets a little monotonous. Take a break and plan a vacation. Take a day off, go barefoot or stay up all night. Have some fun and break away!

SCORPIO
October 24-November 22
 Your hard work is finally paying off. Get ready for the paybacks to come in—just in time. A raise, promotion, gift or pat on the back is headed your way. Smile, and say thank you.

SAGITTARIUS
November 23-December 31
 Honesty is usually the best policy, but be careful what you say and who you say it to. Good intentions can backfire and cause more harm than good. Tact is the key.

CAPRICORN
December 22-January 20
 To say you've been busy is an understatement, but take time out for some much-needed health and fitness. An improved physical appearance can increase your confidence and peace of mind. It's time to break out your workout wear!

AQUARIUS
January 21-February 18
 Love is in the air, and you have a double dose of it. Relish in the romantic. Now is a great time to plan some time for just the two of you. Who knows? This spring you could be hearing wedding bells!

PISCES
February 19-March 20
 Some say you're a dreamer, others just call you lazy. Surprise everyone by being the first to initiate a project, get-together or outing. Bring family, friends or co-workers together for this unique event, and you'll come out the winner.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

FIGAND HAZELNUT MOCHA MERINGUES

Serving: 16-18 cookies

3 large egg whites, at room temperature
 1/2 teaspoon instant coffee granules
 1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar
 3/4 cup sugar
 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
 3 tablespoons cocoa powder
 4 teaspoons cornstarch
 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
 1 cup chopped figs, stems removed
 1/2 cup chopped hazelnuts or walnuts

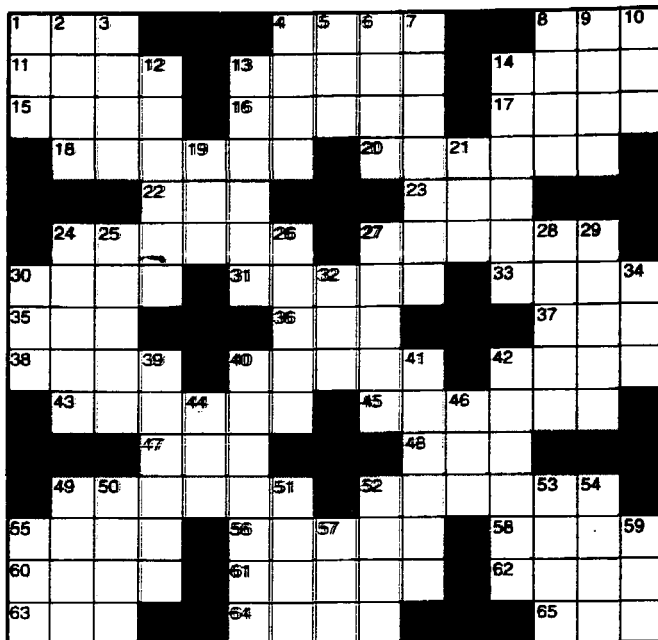
Heat oven to 250 degrees. Line 2 large baking sheets with foil or parchment paper. Put egg

whites, instant coffee and cream of tartar in clean medium mixing bowl. beat on medium speed until soft peaks form. Beat in sugar, 1 tablespoon at a time. beat on high speed until still peaks form. Beat in vanilla. Sift together cocoa power, cornstarch and cinnamon. With spatula, gently fold into egg white mixture along with figs and nuts. Spoon meringue onto foil making about 16-18 circles. Smooth tops with back of spoon; be sure all the fig pieces are covered with meringue. Bake for 50-60 minutes or until dry, switching positions of sheets after 30 minutes for even cooking. Turn oven off, partially open door, and let cookies dry in oven for additional 30 minutes. peel cookies from paper and place on wire rack to cool completely. Store cookies in airtight container.



HOME NEEDED - Female Terrier Mix ~ Housebroken, 4 years old, nice, smaller dog.
 Anyone who wishes to adopt a new friend from the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, may call (517) 348-4117.

CROSSWORD



- ### ACROSS

 - Impressed sound
 - Melville skipper
 - Month in printemps
 - Solid
 - Boorish
 - Campus bldg.
 - Grapes of Wrath figure
 - Actress Lavin
 - Frisk about
 - Pickled
 - Unfluctuating
 - TV's Adams
 - Toward the bottom
 - Ditch
 - Back down on a promise
 - The Scott Decision
 - Rings of light
 - Fall shade
 - Slippery as an
 - Detroit gp.
 - Brayer on the farm
 - Aert van der
 - Johnny of a Shelley Fabares hit
 - Make ready, for short
 - Artist Gilbert
 - Bowie and Ben-Gurion
- ### DOWN

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 - Accords of the future
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 - Surms
 - The Fab Four
 - Humor
 - You're in the
 - Playful child
 - Transformed, as property
 - Hold tightly
 - Bowen part
 - Conquered
- Long, long period
 - What Clint talked to in *Paint Your Wagon*
 - Sublease
 - Frequent
 - Toiled in the tireme
 - Basketball position
 - Road curves
 - Scout pack
 - Drop behind
 - Small amt.
 - Most impolite
 - Asian nation
 - Stereotypes
 - Pockmarked
 - Fine and dandy, in space
 - By way of
 - Leoline sound
 - Jane (Brontë novel)
 - Units for Seurat
 - Rope fiber
 - on the Warpath
 - Like a dungeon
 - by-four
 - Actress Benaderet
 - Izzy's prohibition-agent partner

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago
December 8, 1977
 Insulators shot out on the main power lines by hunters are blamed for a blackout which affected about 6,500 persons in the area last Thursday morning.

The Grayling Viking Wrestling team opened their 1977-78 season with a victory by edging out the Gaylord Blue Devils 36-33. 98# Burt Partello, won by pin; 119# Tim Jones, lost by decision; 126# Chuck Golinick, lost by pin; 132# Steve Byce, won by pin; 138# Sherm Holey, won by pin; 145# Terry Luckstead, lost by pin; 155# Curt Hanson, lost by pin; 165# Mark Golinick, lost by decision; 178# Mike Allen lost by decision; Hvywt. Steve Dean won by pin.

Private John H. Galloway Jr., 1977 graduate of Grayling High School and son of Mrs. Mary I. Galloway, Pine Knoll Trailer Park, Austin Drive, Grayling, recently completed seven weeks of advanced individual training at Ft. Benning, Ga.

Ole Dam Road Party Store offers 1lb. of bacon for \$1.00 and 8-packs of Pepsi for \$1.23 plus deposit.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Weaver of Frederic announce the arrival of a son, Daniel Emmitt, on December 1.

Harold Kauffman of Grayling has been elected Worshipful Master for the Grayling Masonic Lodge for the coming year.

The Gordon Cox residence located off Batterson Road near Frederic was destroyed by fire, believed to have been caused by faulty electrical wiring on Tuesday morning; Thankfully, the family escaped without injury.

46 Years Ago
December 9, 1954
 The pinochle club met at the home of Mrs. Ed Sorenson last Thursday evening. The prizes were won by Mrs. Leslie Goss for high and Mrs. Larry McNamara low.

Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Sorenson and Dr. and Mrs. J.F. Cook were co-hosts at a dinner party Sunday evening at the home of the former. Cards were played following dinner with prizes going to Bob Hayes for high score and Mrs. Charles Piper low at bridge and Roy Milnes high for hearts.

69 Years Ago
December 10, 1931
 A contract for the construction of a state truck line highway running from US-27 east through the Hartwick Pines State Park has been granted by the State Highway Department. Work has already started on the road, which will be of gravel construction, and it is expected that it will be completed by Spring. The road will branch from US-27 about three miles north of Grayling and will run northeast connecting with the Frederic-Lovells road after passing through the Park.

The Sisters of Mercy will celebrate their 100th anniversary December 12. The Sisters of Mercy organized in 1827, became a religious congregation Dec. 21, 1931, when Sister M. Catherine McAuley and her two companions, Sister M. Anne Smith and Sister M. Elizabeth Harley, made the vows of poverty, chastity, obedience and service for the poor, sick and ignorant and to persevere till death in Order of Mercy. The constitution of the order was approved in 1835 and was confirmed by Pope Gregory XVI, June

6, 1841. Founded on Baggor Street, Dublin, the order spread rapidly throughout Ireland, Scotland, Wales, England, Australia, South America, New Zealand and Newfoundland.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorane Sparkes were hosts to twelve ladies and gentlemen Monday evening. The affair wa given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. M.A. Bates whose birthdays occurred on Monday and Tuesday. The evening was spent playing bridge. Mrs. Eva Reagan and Mrs. Roy Milnes won the high scores.

92 Years Ago
December 10, 1908
 Conrad W.S. Chalker of Maple Forest was down on a business trip Monday. He has just finished shingling his new barn. Just in time to miss the big snow storm.

Snow which fell Saturday and Sunday, changed all the wheels for sleighs Monday morning, there being about six inches of snow. Twelve inches were reported at Frederic and Maple Forest.

A log train, coming South through Lovells, Tuesday morning, met with a peculiar accident while crossing the bridge over the North Branch of the AuSable River. The engine and five cars had crossed the bridge when the structure went into the river with six cars. Luckily the coupling broke behind the derailed cars, leaving the way car, where the crew was riding safely on the track on the north side of the bridge, so that no one was injured.

The new Odd Fellows opera house and lodge rooms is practically completed, and will be dedicated the 17th inst., at 3 o'clock p.m., at which ceremony the public is cordially invited.

HIDDEN PICTURE

Color in each space that contains a letter.

Connect the dots

Start Here

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	H	L	Precip.
11/29	35	30	
11/30	35	29	.03
12/01	33	19	.02
12/02	26	13	
12/03	30	4	
12/04	33	8	
12/05	31	18	.13

Extended Forecast

(Courtesy of the U.S. Excite Weather)

Wednesday - High 18, Low 21. Chilly. More clouds than sun.

Thursday - High 31, Low 19. Cool, overcast, snow showers.

Friday - High 29, Low 16. Chilly, mainly cloudy.

Saturday - High 30, Low 15. Cool overcast.

ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

Classifieds must be paid for in advance

Display Advertising Rate - \$6.00 per column inch
 Deadline for Display Classifieds - 12 noon, Monday
 Classifieds by the word rate - \$4.20 for 15 words or less, 10¢ per each additional word; includes Internet listing:
www.townnews.com/avalanche/
 Classified by the word deadline - 12 noon, Tuesday

1. Real Estate

MANY NORTHERN MICHIGAN PROPERTIES www.century21grayling.com (1/7/99tf/1)

NICE FOUR BEDROOM Two bath home off Stephan Bridge Rd. Jacuzzi in master bedroom. 2 1/2 acres, owner relocated. \$79,900, reduced \$76,500. Phone or fax Hamrick Real Estate Co., P.C. 517-348-5433; evenings 517-348-8336. (11/30/00tf/1)

HOME FOR SALE Four bedroom, two bath, attached garage. 4912 Dawn Drive. \$89,000. 616-458-8038. (-16-22-30-7/1)

FOR SALE BY OWNER Two bedroom mobile home, great condition, located between Waters and Frederic. \$29,000. Call after 6 p.m. or weekends 517-348-1893. (-30-7-14-21/1)

GRAYLING HOME Three bedroom, two car garage. Newly remodeled, nice neighborhood, large lot. Price reduced to \$72,900. 517-732-6152. (-22-30-7-14/1)

GOLF COURSE BUILDING LOTS for sale. Lifetime golf and ski memberships included. All lots are one to two acres. \$29,000 to \$49,000. Skyline Ski and Country Club. 517-275-5445 (4/20/00tf/1)

COMMERCIAL BUILDING for sale or lease in Grayling on north I-75 Business Loop. 3,600 sq. ft. office and warehouse space. Natural gas. Single phase electric. Ask for Jerry. 517-275-5445. (10/26/00tf/1)

2. For Rent

1,500 SQ. FT. of Commercial Store Front with kitchen, bath and basement for rent. 517-348-9636 or 517-348-8322. (-7-14-21/2)

MAKE ARBOR COURT APARTMENTS your new home. Large two bedroom apartments. Maximum income level of \$18,900 for two person household. Rent based on 30% of gross monthly income. Barrier free unit available. Call Sande 517-366-4475 or Mary Ann 888-576-6468 for more information. Equal Housing Opportunity. (9/16/99tf/2)

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2. For Rent

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2. For Rent

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3. Employment

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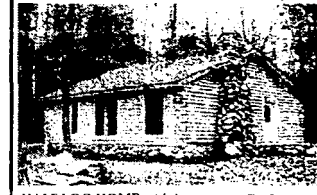

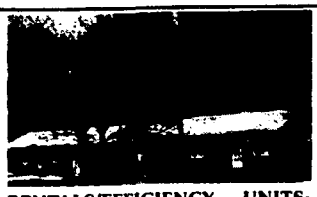
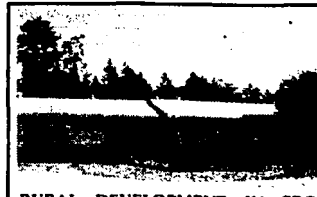




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1. Real Estate

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NOTICE OF OPEN POSITION
Posting Date: November 30, 2000.
Position: Grayling High School Paraprofessional. Qualifications: Ability to pass the MEAP test; high school diploma. Additional information available at 403 Michigan Avenue. Apply To: Paul B. Lerg, Assistant Superintendent, Crawford AuSable School, 403 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738. Deadline: 4 p.m. December 13, 2000. Crawford AuSable School District, equal opportunity/affirmative action statement. (-30-7/3)

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SEASONAL HELP WANTED Cashier, Tow and Chair Lift Operators. Stop in and apply at Skyline Ski and Country Club from 12 p.m. to 9 p.m. 4020 Skyline Rd. (-7/3)

3. Employment

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE MANAGER in our billing department. Experienced or knowledge of CPT/ICD9 coding, billing, patient claims and collection of patient accounts is preferred. Send qualifications in writing to Elizabeth Kuzinski, Human Resources, Mid Michigan Health Services, 9249 W. Lake City Rd., Houghton Lake, MI 48629. (-30-7/3)

TRACTOR TRAILER DRIVER Applicant must have a minimum of CDL-A endorsement, a good driving record, tanker knowledge a plus, applicant must be reliable and have good people skills. Please apply at Northern A-1 Services, 2305 US 131 North, Kalkaska, Michigan or fax resume to: 231-258-9971. EOE. (-7-14/3)

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2. For Rent

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The Grayling Housing Commission currently has one 4 bedroom and two 3 bedroom units available.

Three-bedroom flat rent = \$375.00 includes utilities.

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Maximum Income Limits apply - Call for details.

These flat rents are the maximum rents to be paid for the units listed above. The Grayling Housing Commission basic rent is still calculated on 30% of your income. You choose the rent you want to pay based on 30% of your income or the flat rent listed above.

****Applications are free.****

The Grayling Housing Commission is located at

308 Lawndale Drive

Telephone 517-348-9314



3. Employment

Crawford County Sheriff's Office will be accepting applications for a part time bailiff court officer/civil process server. The individual:

Must be M.C.O.L.E.S. certified or certifiable.

Must be at least twenty-one years old.

Must be a resident of State of Michigan.

Must be able to respond for duty within forty-five minutes of an emergency call.

Must be physically able to perform all functions of this position.

Primary responsibility will be courtroom security and handling law enforcement functions of the court as directed by the Sheriff, the Judge or their designee.

Pay will be \$10.00 per hour. Hours will be up to twenty-eight hours per week, which will be flexible between weeks.

Individual must be able to be flexible between his/her work hours as court caseload dictates.

Court officer may also be responsible for serving civil process and other ancillary duties of the Sheriff's Office.

Please send resume to Crawford County Sheriff's Office, Attn: Sheriff Lovely, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

Deadline for applications is Friday, December 15, 2000 at 4:00 p.m.

3. Employment

PHLEBOTOMISTS (Certified or Non-certified). Previous experience in Phlebotomy, preferred. If qualified and interested, please send resumes to Janet Norton, Human Resources Manager, West Branch Regional Medical Center, Department 2, 2463 S. M-30, West Branch, MI 48661. (-7-14/3)

4. Services Offered

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5. For Sale

FRESHLY WAXED AND SHARPENED 1998 Liquid Snowboard with K2 bindings and Vans World Traveler boots. Unisex sizes 7-7 1/2. \$450 or B.O. 517-348-5944 or 616-892-7598. (-7-14/5)

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TWO YOUTH (GIRLS)/Pre-teen multi-speed bicycles, very good condition, \$50 each, includes youth helmets. These bikes have been lonely since their owners took drivers ed. They may need a little oil and adjustments. Call 517-348-1429, after 6 p.m. (11/30/00tf/5)

3. Employment

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3. Employment

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7. Miscellaneous

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7. Miscellaneous

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4. Services Offered**7. Miscellaneous**

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CASH REWARD for return of tape inside video camera that was misplaced Saturday, December 2 at Santa's Breakfast. Please return tape to Avalanche office, no questions asked. (-7/7)

8. Announcements

FAIR BOARD MEETING Second Tuesday of December. December 12, 2000. (-7/8)

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8. Announcements

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8. Announcements

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8. Announcements

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8. Announcements

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8. Announcements

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Public Notice

Due to Hall Rental. The Dec. 7th meeting of the Grayling Eagles Aux. #3465 will be changed to Dec. 14th at 7:00 P.M.

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9. Personals

-Here, lizard..lizard..lizard-
 Lizard, I wanted to tell you a few things, so listen up. I was going to get nostalgic and write about the squiggly sun, and sneaking out of your house, but I decided against it. I decided to thank you for everything you and your mom have done for me throughout my life. When my life wasn't kosher, you were there for me. When I cried, screamed, ranted and raved, you listened. When I moved to Florida and thought my life was over, you were there. When I moved back here, you mom welcomed me with open arms and gave me a home. We have shared so much in the past years, and now we have yet another thing to share. You have been blessed with the most amazing thing in the world...creation. I know it's scary, and confusing, but everything is going to work out. You said it yourself "everything happens for a reason". Just as you were there for me in the past, and present, I'm going to be there for you. I love you very much, and know that everything is going to be okay. The love you empower, your open mindedness and your radiant energy will show in your child. I love you, and so will the I'm probably jinxing you!
 -Jesse-

11. Automotive

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9. Personals

BEN - GREAT JOB Love, G & G Chappel, Deb, Jay, Alex, GG Jones. (-7/9)

11. Automotive

1988 PONTIAC 6,000 169,000 miles. Power steering/power brakes, air, tilt, cruise, newer tires and brakes in 1999. \$900 O.B.O. Call Rusty at 517-348-6802. (-30-7-14/11)

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11. Automotive

DON'T LET THE COMING
 Winter catch you knee deep in snow without my 1993 Ford Bronco 4 x 4. Eddie Bauer Package comes fully loaded with power everything. Kept inside a garage, so it is in excellent condition. Super clean leather interior. \$8,950. Call 517-348-2083 to see it. (-30-7/11)

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11. Automotive

300 years of Detroit history now in collector's edition

Three hundred years of Detroit history are chronicled with colorful photographs and fascinating stories, as the latest collector's issue of Michigan History Magazine and special issue 2001 wall calendar the Motor City's tricentennial.

The special collector's issue of Michigan History Magazine, "Detroit at 300," and the wall calendar, "Made in Detroit: Advertising from a Bygone Era," are on sale now.

"Detroit is recognized the world 'round as the Motor City, but its heritage encompasses much more than the 'Big Three' and manufacturing," said Secretary of State Candice Miller, the state's official historian.

"From sports and architecture to civil rights and entertainment, Detroit's history is a kaleidoscope of the American experience. Anyone nostalgic about Detroit will love the new calendar and the special edition of Michigan History Magazine."

The Michigan History Magazine collector's edition features 96 pages of articles and photographs, almost twice the size of the regular bi-monthly magazine. "Detroit at 300" opens with an engaging review of Detroit's great past by Dr. Phil Mason, former director of Detroit's Reuther Library.

Other articles explore Ste. Anne, the second oldest continuously operating parish in the United States; the British experience in Detroit and the 1796 arrival of the Americans; Detroit's famed tobacco

industry, which earned the city the nickname "Tampa of the North;" and a chronicle of Rev. C.L. Franklin, civil rights leader and father of singer Aretha Franklin.

The issue concludes with a list of places to visit in Detroit and highlights several new books about Detroit.

Michigan History Magazine's new 2001 wall calendar, "Made in Detroit: Advertising from a Bygone Era," is a salute to the businesses and industries that made Detroit an economic power nationally and internationally.

Each month features photographs and graphics of colorful advertisements from the late 19th and early 20th centuries. "Made in Detroit" showcases vintage ads from Hudson's, Verner's and Stroh's -- corporate names of products and services that consumers still enjoy more than a century later.

Equally important to Detroit's history are the companies whose names have disappeared from the marketplace but whose legacy is unmistakable. The calendar portrays ads from the Detroit Stove Works, which helped make Detroit the nation's stove manufacturing capital and Ferry Seed, a pioneer in selling small seed packets in store displays.

In addition to the colorful ads, "Made in Detroit" offers significant dates in Detroit history, such as the city's founding on July 24, 1701, and the election of Coleman Young on November 6, 1973 -- Detroit's first African-American mayor.

The special edition wall calendar costs \$6.95 (plus 6% Michigan sales tax) and the Michigan History Magazine costs \$7. An additional fee will be charged for shipping. To order, call Michigan History Magazine, toll-free at 1-800-366-3703; VISA, MasterCard and Discover accepted.

Current subscribers to Michigan History Magazine will receive a copy of the special issue as part of their annual subscription.

Visit Michigan History Magazine and its entire family of heritage publications on the Department of State web site:

www.sos.state.mi.us/history/mag/mag.html

Long term care for elderly to be discussed

There will be a presentation and discussion on Michigan's Plan for Meeting Future Long Term Care Challenges for Our Aging Population on Monday, December 18, from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon at Alpena Community College's Granum Theatre, 666 Johnson Street in Alpena.

The presenter will be Brenda Fink, Acting Director for the Long Term Care Initiative through the Michigan Department of Community Health.

Reservations should be made by December 11; call Connie at the Region 9 Area Agency on Aging, (517) 356-3474, ext. 261.

9. Personals

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 Auto, air, tilt, cruise, power windows, locks, remote entry, tonneau cover, trailer towing pkg #3291

PURCHASE FOR \$21,195
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V-6 air, tilt, cruise, power windows/locks, and much more	
1999 PONTIAC GRAND AM SE 4 DR.	\$12,988
V-6 air, tilt, cruise, power windows/locks, and much more	
1999 LUMINA	\$11,988
V-6 air, tilt, cruise, cassette, power windows/locks, low miles	
1999 BUICK CENTURY 4 DR.	\$13,888
V-6 air, tilt, cruise, cassette, power windows/locks/seats, low miles	
1998 BUICK PARK AVENUE 4 DR.	\$16,888
Power moon roof, loaded, low miles	
1998 CHEVY CENTURY	\$11,988
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1998 CHEVY MALIBU LS	\$11,988
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1998 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE SE	\$13,888
Low miles, rear spoiler, bucket seats, loaded	
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Very loaded with power sun roof and leather	
1998 CHEVY LUMINA	\$11,988
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Cassette, great gas mileage	
TRUCKS	
1997 BUICK LESABRE 4 DR. WHITE LIMITED	\$12,988
Leather, V-6, loaded	
1997 DODGE INTREPID ES 4 DR.	\$9,888
3.4 V-6, rear spoiler, low miles, loaded	
1997 BUICK LESABRE 4 DR.	\$12,888
V-6, loaded, only 57,000 miles, real sharp	
1998 PONTIAC GRAND AM SE 2 DR.	\$7,888
V-6, rear spoiler, tilt, cruise, tape, power windows, power locks	
1998 OLDS CUTLASS CIERA 4 DR.	\$7,988
6 cylinder, air, tilt, cruise, cassette, power windows/locks, low miles	
1995 BUICK REGAL 4 DR.	\$6,988
V-6 air, tilt, cruise, cassette, power windows/locks, real sharp, good as is	
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1998 CHEVY S-10 SPORTSIDE	\$9,888
Air, aluminum wheels, tilt, cruise, CD player, low miles	
VANS	
1998 CHEVY S-10 BLAZER LS 4 DR.	\$16,888
V-6, 4x4, air, power windows, power locks, cassette, great mileage	
1998 CHEVY S-10 PICKUP	\$8,788
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1998 GMC JIMMY 4 DR. 4X4	\$16,988
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1998 DODGE DURANGO SLT	\$20,988
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1998 CHEVY K1500 EXT. CAB 4X4	\$20,988
350 V-8, lower chair, disc, 3 dr., low miles, much more	
1998 CHEVY S-10 EXT. CAB	\$10,988
Air, cassette, power windows, low miles	
1997 K-1500 EXT. 4X4	\$18,900
350 V-8, Fiberglass box cover, Silverado, 35,000, sharp	
1997 OLDS BRAVADA 4 DR.	\$17,888
Gold package, leather, CD, low miles, clean	
1994 C1500 350 V-8	\$11,888
Automatic, air, Silverado, loaded, fiberglass box cover extra sharp	
1993 MAZDA EXTENDED CAB	\$3,988
5 speed air, one owner, drives great	
VANS	
1998 PONTIAC MONTANA EXTENDED	\$16,888
4 dr., power doors, loaded, only 35,000 miles, Sharp	
1998 CHEVY VENTURE 4 DR.	\$14,988
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